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POEMS YOU OUGHT TO KNOW.*

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Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof. Charles Eliot Norton.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL.

[Author unknown.]

As Joseph was a-waukin',
He heard an angel sing,
"This night shall be the birthnight
Of Christ our heavenly King.

"His birth-bed shall be neither
In housen nor in hall,
Nor in the place of paradise,
But in the oxen's stall.

"He neither shall be wrapped
In silver nor in gold,
But in the wooden manger
That lieth in the mould.

"He neither shall be washen
With white wine nor with red,
But with the fair spring water
That on you shall be shed.

"He neither shall be clothed
In purple nor in pall,
But in the fair, white linen
That usen babies all."

As Joseph was a-waukin',
Thus did the angel sing,
And Mary's son at midnight
Was born to be our King.

Then be ye glad, good people,
At this time of the year;
And light you up your candles,
For his star, it shineth clear.

NEWS—Summarized and Indexed.

THE WEATHER— THURSDAY, DEC. 25, 1902.

Generally fair and continued cold Thursday and Friday, brisk northwest winds, decreasing Friday. The maximum temperature in Chicago during the twenty-four hours ending last midnight was 32 degrees above zero at 7 a. m. and the minimum 10 degrees above zero at 9 p. m.

Sun rises at 7:18, sets at 4:24. Moon rises at 3:18 a. m.

VENEZUELA:—

President Roosevelt's acceptance or refusal to act as arbitrator hinges on restrictions imposed by powers; anxiety for early settlement increasing because of threatened complications; allies already at odds.

London newspapers declare Monroe doctrine was backed by Canning at time it was promulgated; Washington government preferred as arbitrator of financial claims.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY:—

Chicago citizens spent $14,000,000 for Christmas gifts; goods bought were of better grade than ever before; Monday's sales broke all single days' records; shoppers bought $200,000 worth of one house alone.

Investigation of Chicago coal shortage by Attorney General Hamlin of Illinois is threatened; railroads accused of holding back supplies to increase prices; 5,000 carloads sidetracked in yards near city limits.

All retail clothing stores in Chicago promised to close today except Stern Bros., Larrabee street and North avenue; clerks threaten picketing there; full pay to be given; groceries will close by 10 a. m.

American syndicate, headed by C. K. G. Billings, will invest $30,000,000 in Paris (France) gas company; thirty-five year franchise offered for introducing American gas stoves and ranges in place of charcoal.

Santa Fé railroad will shorten its Chicago-San Francisco line 468 miles by Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fé extension intercepting Texas and Pacific line at Pecos; Baltimore and Ohio to shorten its line fifty miles.

New York stock prices irregular; firm closing due to covering of short contracts; call loan rate reached 10 per cent; ruling rate 8; banks lost $92,000 to subtreasury for week; $350,000 sent to New Orleans.

E. H. Gary probably will become steel trust president if C. M. Schwab resigns; Distillers' corporation statement shows it acquired 88.40 per cent preferred and 87 per cent common stock of Distilling Company of America.

St. Paul railroad announced 10 per cent wage increase to 4,700 engineers and firemen, to take effect Dec. 28; total increase, $500,000 annually.

LOCAL:—

Christmas day in Chicago will have nearly zero temperature; skating good and parks have been prepared for large crowds; Catholic churches celebrated mass at 4 a. m.

Four persons killed on railroad tracks on Christmas eve; unknown woman with armful of Christmas presents run over by Burlington engine at Rockwell and Twenty-fourth streets.

Mayor Harrison's first Christmas present was a pair of skates; James H. Eckels, also skates; George Birkhoff's, Dutch Christmas basket; Edmund J. James', a primer; A. S. Trude's, a spanking.

Policeman Patrick J. Mahoney convicted of burglarizing Hagamann jewelry store; Daniel Curran tried as accessory and acquitted to emphasize Mahoney's guilt; latter must serve penitentiary sentence.

Justice Davidson, Melrose Park, will be accused of malfeasance by Factory Inspector Davies following accusation by child employé of Maywood tin can factory that he consented to false affidavit by child's mother.

Parents of pupils attending Oak Ridge school threaten charges against Principal W. E. Vanderwater because he had two boy pupils arrested and arraigned in police court for throwing snowballs.

Chief of Police O'Neill saved $108,000 from police appropriation to enable employment of extra patrolmen after Jan. 1; law requires that unexpended balances revert to general fund and police will lose it.

WASHINGTON:—

Senator Cullom in interview declared interstate commerce law should be amended to allow limited pooling of rates; commission needs authority to enforce its rulings; pooling not necessarily anti-trust law violation.

FOREIGN:—

Earl Dudley, lord lieutenant of Ireland, in Dublin interview declared land question must be settled before agriculture can prosper; each side should choose persons competent to arrange settlement; delay means reduction of rents and lower purchase price.

Crown prince of Saxony accused by Berlin newspapers with beating his wife, who deserted him; crown princess said to have made previous attempts to elope; she will reside at Mentone.

Gen. Miles started investigation of alleged cruelty to Filipinos by Americans; natives told of violence during reconcentration; water cure found to have been given; Capt. Howze exonerated from whipping prisoners.

French police guarding against possible violence to Humberts, Paris swindlers, when they reach Paris; troops will escort them from railroad station.

Wireless Christmas messages sent by Marconi in Italian from Glace bay, Nova Scotia, to Cornwall, England.

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Hilding Holm, 8 years old, and Frank Smith, aged 9, found frozen to death near Chicago Industrial Home for Boys at Woodstock, Ill., from which they escaped. Arthur Carlson nearly dead from exposure.

Pennsylvania "Limited" train collided with accommodation train near Pittsburg while running sixty-five miles an hour; wreckage and entire accommodation train carried nearly a mile before it stopped; seven persons hurt; two fatally.

Tona Dunlap testified all day in her own behalf in Aledo murder trial; she told of giving candy to Allie Dool and herself eating some; charge that she applied for Miss Dool's place denied.

James J. Hill, Great Northern railroad president, narrowly escaped being snowbound today away from home; snowplows and extra locomotives brought him to St. Paul; blizzard general in central west.

Henry Phipps of Carnegie steel company gave $10,000 to educational alliance through Isidor Straus.

Adj. Gen. Smith, Illinois National guard, in annual report recommends new uniforms for troops; $12 annual allowance urged for officers' equipment.

Towanda (Ill.) postoffice robbed of $400 by men who blew safe open with nitroglycerin; Surprise (Neb.) State bank robbed of $3,000.

Pacific Cable agent surveyed new cable route around New Deep, near Guam, where depth of 4,500 fathoms was found.

J. P. Morgan sued for $250 by tenants of his Park avenue flat building, who claim they were forced to spend that sum for coal.

John D. Rockefeller will build new Bryn Mawr college hall himself, instead of giving $250,000 conditionally; contract already let.

George Bundahl, 28 years old, Crookston, Minn., shot and killed Caroline A. Moen, aged 19 years, and committed suicide.

Isaac Henry Stratton, son of Colorado mining millionaire, married Miss Josephine A. Larabee at Oshkosh, Wis.

Jack Munroe, Butte (Mont.) pugilist, refused to meet Jeffries or Fitzsimmons and declared he will train first.

POLITICAL:—

Congressman Hopkins will not open headquarters at Springfield until Illinois speakership is settled; Senator Mason will open headquarters early; F. O. Lowden, George E. Adams, and E. S. Conway also may be on hand.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

Port.	Arrived.	Sailed.
ANTWERP	Finland	Switzerland.
BREMEN	Cassel	
GLASGOW	Laurentian	
HAMBURG		Anubis.
HONG KONG	Emp. of China	
LIVERPOOL	Noordland	
LIVERPOOL	Oceanic	Hartford.
LIVERPOOL	Ultonia	Teutonic.
LONDON		Mesaba.
NEW YORK	Cevic	St. Louis.
NEW YORK		Cymric.
NAPLES		Vancouver.
SCILLY	Manitou	
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CULLOM FAVORS FLEXIBLE RATES.

Senator Plans Amendment to Interstate Commerce Law Recognizing Limited Discrimination.

CANNOT STOP CUTTING.

Believes People Are Educated Up to Point Where They Recognize Failure of Hard and Fast Rule.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE—Senator Cullom planning law to strengthen commission and allowing roads to pool rates to limited degree.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS—President and family will spend day together, Cabinet ladies have present for Mrs. Roosevelt—How others will fare.

[BY RAYMOND.]

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Senator Cullom, the author of the interstate commerce law, has not devoted his entire attention to trust legislation, but has also considered the possibility of the enactment of a law strengthening the power of the interstate commerce commission. "The time is now ripe for legislation on this subject," said the senator, "and I believe it would be a comparatively easy matter to get a bill through. The people have been educated to the point where they will, in my judgment, agree to a limited pooling or rates on the part of railroads. They have always been educated to believe that the interstate commerce commission should have power to fix rates when they are found to be too high, and to make its rulings effective from the time the orders are given.

"It was intended by congress that the commission should have such power, and we thought it had been lodged in that body, but the United States courts did not agree with us on this subject, and it will therefore be necessary to enact further legislation to carry out the original intent of congress.

"It cannot be denied that the transportation companies of the country discriminate in favor of the large shippers, and consequently give them a great advantage over those who ship a small amount of freight. It is a well established business principle, however, that a large quantity of goods can be purchased at a discount or at a cheaper rate than a small amount, and in order to stop the railroad companies from discriminating it will be necessary to overcome a well established rule of trade."

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"Discrimination in freight rates can be done away with, in my judgment," said Senator Cullom, "by permitting the railroads to pool their rates. In years past there has been the strongest kind of opposition to this proposition, but I believe the people have now reached a point where they will agree to pooling, as this will be beneficial to the people as well as to the railroad. Under the present system large shippers in many instances are granted big reductions in rates. This is done as a common practice, but it frequently occurs when some railroad is not earning as much money as it needs to pay dividends and a large shipper will take advantage of its unfortunate condition.

"For instance, if there should be three railroads having a terminal in one city and one of the large shippers desires to send freight to that city, the agent of the shipper will visit the various railroad offices. Two of these roads will be on a paying basis, and will not be disposed to make any reduction from the regular rate. After visiting the two roads which are paying dividends and finding that each offers the same rate, the agent of the shipper then visits the railroad which is not doing so well.

"The railroad representative argues that his company is not doing much business; that his road is more or less unpopular, and it is a longer route, and he can afford, under the circumstances, to take the business at about one-third less than the other two roads have offered, providing the shipper will make an arrangement to give him all the business for six months or a year. This is the manner in which some of the rate cutting is done, but of course there is sharp competition and more or less cutting of rates all the time."

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"Under a system which would allow pooling or a division of the business," continued Senator Cullom, "published rates would be maintained because the roads would be permitted to enter into an arrangement whereby they could pool their profits or divide the freight, and in this way all parties to the agreement would have an equal share of the business or profits. There would be no rate cutting, as there would be no incentive for it. Pooling would be beneficial to the railroad, as it would absolutely do away with rate cutting and would keep many railroads out of the hands of receivers.

"It would be beneficial to the public, as it would result in the maintaining of uniform rates, and the big and little shippers would be on the same footing. Under the present arrangement the big men have all the advantage, and it frequently results in the small shipper being forced out of business because he cannot secure so advantageous a rate as his richer competitor.

"There is still some little opposition to pooling, but when presented in the light as now viewed by a great many people it would be a great improvement over the present system."

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"Ample protection would be given the people when the railroads are permitted to pool," said the senator, "for when the transportation companies are authorized to pool their rates the interstate commerce commission will also be given authority to supervise those rates and say whether or not they are reasonable or unreasonable.

"If the commission decides the rates fixed by the roads in a pool are too high, it should be given authority to say exactly what that rate should be and issue an order fixing the rate which would become effective at once and remain in force until the commission saw fit to increase or reduce it, unless the commission was overruled by the courts. It should be given authority over all rates whether fixed by a pool or not, and the decrees of the commission should become effective instantly.

"If a shipper complains that a rate is too high, and if the commission makes an investigation and finds this to be true, it should have authority to say the rate should be three or four cents per hundred pounds less. This authority, if conferred upon the commission, would be beneficial to the public, which would appreciate that congress stands between the people and the railroads which

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SANTA GIVES $14,000,000.

STATE STREET HAS GREATEST SEASON KNOWN.

Christmas Shoppers Spend Far More than in Any Previous Year and the Crowds Are Greater than Ever—High Priced Goods the Best Sellers, Merchants Say—Last Monday the Best Day the Trade Recalls—Bad Weather Is Overcome.

Chicago spent $14,000,000 for Christmas presents. It bought goods of better grade and in larger quantities this year than ever before. State street has recorded the greatest Christmas trade in its history for the month of December, and has set a record for Chicago in the volume of business transacted in one day.

Monday was the banner day of the season and in the history of State street. Although no accurate estimate can be secured on the grand total of the day's sales in the shopping street, one house was reported to have aggregated sales to the amount of $200,000 for the day. A representative of the house is authority for the statement that the report is below the actualities of the day's business.

In Spite of Adverse Fates.

This tremendous volume of business, merchants say, was transacted in the face of conditions which operated against a good season. One was the wet weather last week, which kept shoppers at home during days that are usually counted on by the merchants as the best of the season. Another condition was the high price of coal and the increased cost of living expenses.

The holiday trade of last year, estimated variously at from $10,000,000 to $12,500,000, was a vast increase over that of preceding years, and merchants hardly expected any great increase this year. When the stores closed last night, however, the increase in trade was evident. This is taken as a proof that prosperity in the city has reached a higher plane than ever before.

Leon Mandel Says $14,000,000.

The estimated total of $14,000,000 was made by Leon Mandel of Mandel Brothers, and is based on comparison with last year's business. Other merchants placed the total at a higher figure, and still others were more conservative.

"Trade in general has been satisfactory," said Mr. Mandel. "All State street houses have, I believe, done a satisfactory business. Monday was the busiest day of the season, exceeding in business the busiest day last year. Each day's business exceeded that of the corresponding day last year, with the exception of the four stormy days of last week. Last year's business showed the great progress of prosperity over the past. This year has shown a generous increase over that. The extra business day in the present week has had a good effect on the general total of business. The merchants, however, were the losers in November, when the mild weather prevented the sale of winter goods."

Best Goods Were Sold Early.

Speaking for Marshall Field & Co., a member of the firm said: "The best goods sold out early. This held through all lines of goods. Even in the matter of trimmings for Christmas trees a much more expensive and higher priced line was in demand this year. The wet weather of last week and the absence of any cold weather to speak of during the entire season had the effect of lessening the sale of winter goods, and so the trade for the season was not what it would have been had the weather conditions been better."

"We had done 15 per cent more business up to last night than for the holiday season of last year," said David Mayer of Schlesinger & Mayer. "Today's business will send that increase up a good deal. If the total of last year's business was $10,000,000 this year's will easily amount to $18,000,000. Prosperity, more money, and higher priced goods are the causes."

Andrew McLelah of Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co. added his indorsement to the prosperity story told by the others. "The people bought useful and high priced goods," said he. "The bad weather of last week operated against seasonable shopping, but in spite of that December has been a record month, closing a record year."

Army of 2,000,000 Shoppers.

"Two million people shopped this year where 500,000 people formerly found themselves crowded," said Charles A. Stevens. "That accounts for the crush of holiday shopping. The season which ends with Christmas has been the most successful generally of any in the history of Chicago. A better grade of goods has been in demand. We have noted an increase of at least 60 per per cent over the business done by us last Christmas."

At the Fair store, A. M. Rothschild & Co., and at Siegel, Cooper & Co.'s store the same story of increased business for the season was repeated, thus showing the general distribution of the generous holiday spirit and of the means of gratifying it. At Siegel, Cooper & Co. it was stated the house had done the largest business in its history.

"Our trade was the greatest in the history of the house," said E. Hillman. "Good and useful articles were bought mostly. Monday was the greatest day of the season and of the history of the house."

W. S. Brown of the Boston store agreed that the season had been highly successful. He also had observed the demand for the more useful and higher priced goods.

Jewelry Trade Is Booming.

Perhaps the business done by State street jewelry stores is a good criterion of the general abundance of money.

"A man may reasonably be supposed to have the necessaries and some of the comforts of life before he commences to buy jewels," said C. D. Peacock. "Our business this year would indicate that people are pretty generally provided with the necessities. From our own experience and from what we learn from others engaged in the jewelry business, 1902 has been a banner year in the jewelry trade and kindred lines."

The statement of a representative of Spaulding & Co. was to the effect that the sales of expensive jewelry had never been equaled. Even in these lines a choice of better and more expensive goods over those of a year ago was noted. "We have sold more expensive goods and more of them than ever before," said a representative of that concern.

"Business has been at least 20 per cent better than last year," said H. S. Hyman of Hyman, Berg & Co. "There has been a demand for better goods and more of them."

Good Work at Postoffice.

For the first time in twenty-seven years the registry department of the postoffice kept up with the rush of business and attended to all articles received. Postmaster Coyne added last night that all the mail received had been handled for the first time in eighteen years. There will be but one delivery today.

Handling the holiday rush of mail was made still more difficult by the storm, which delayed practically every train into the city from the north and east. Mails from New York and New England were generally from one to three hours late. In the west little trouble was experienced.

THE DAY OF THE LITTLE HEART—NO. 1.

**Ho, the children! So fair and quaint,
Ready to travel to Sleepyland,
Rich with faith in the good old Saint,
Confident of his lavish hand.**

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MUST RELEASE THE COAL.

CHARGES FILED AGAINST THE RAILROAD COMPANIES.

Railroads Blamed for the Fuel Famine in Chicago, and State Authorities Are Appealed To to Force Companies to Break Blockade—Five Thousand Cars Held in Yards, While Citizens Are Made to Pay High Prices Because of Alleged Shortage.

Trouble is promised for the coal carrying railways unless Chicago gets more coal and gets it soon.

Charges have been filed with Gov. Yates and Attorney General Hamlin that the railways are holding vast quantities of coal in their yards with a view to influence prices, and the attorney general is expected to investigate at once and take action to force the roads to unload the cars and turn the coal over to the dealers.

While it is asserted that there are 5,000 cars of coal, aggregating 150,000 tons, standing in the yards of railroad companies near Chicago, it is said that this is not largely in excess of the normal amount. In defense of the companies it is alleged that the failure to move coal has been due to the rush of Christmas business. Lack of motive power is another excuse offered for the roads.

See Plan to Aid Operators.

Complainants who have laid the matter before the state authorities have proceeded on the assumption that the storing of coal in the yards has been part of a policy of the roads which are interested in coal mine operating as well as coal transportation. Coal dealers assert that within the next ten days there will be a change in the situation, and that there will be no coal famine in the city.

An investigation of some of the railroad yards showed that about 5,000 cars are waiting to be moved. An estimate of 1,000 was made in the Illinois Central yards. In the Baltimore and Ohio yards in South Chicago and in the Wolf lake yards the number was placed at 600. Many more are in the Panhandle yards.

Handicapped by the lack of motive power, the railroads, it is explained, have chosen to handle high priced material first. When their capabilities are sufficient only to take care of the holiday trade, it is asserted, it is reasonable to suppose the roads would sidetrack coal for freight on which they secure three times higher rate.

Threat May Hasten Railroads.

While this explanation is accepted, it is said that Mr. Hamlin's threat to investigate the condition of the coal yards will be responsible for renewed activity on the part of the roads, and will result in the speedy moving of the coal now standing in cars.

It is pointed out that the great difficulty in this state is that there is no law to prevent railroad companies from owning and operating mines. Many of the best producing mines in the state are the property of the companies which, it is asserted, can manipulate the rates in such a way as to keep out the product of other companies and market their own first.

Says Famine Will Soon End.

"There will not be a famine in coal," said Henry E. Weaver. "As soon as the holiday trade is over the companies will be able to handle coal which has been sidetracked for the better paying freight. By Sunday the coal cars will be moving again."

FIRE PANIC AS TREE BURNS.

Christmas Celebration at Winona, Minn., Results in Serious Injury of One Man.

Winona, Minn., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—While clapping their hands and dancing around a Christmas tree filled with gifts a party of children were thrown into panic and an attendant narrowly escaped cremation as a result of a match being carelessly dropped on some of the flimsy material on the tree. The gifts were destroyed. An attendant who was endeavoring to save the gifts was badly burned.

ERROR DRIVES GIRL INSANE.

Terre Haute, Ind., Typewriter Magnifies Effect of Mistake in Business Letter and Loses Mind.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Miss June Kadel, a typewriter, has been adjudged insane from melancholy caused by magnifying the effect of a mistake she made in a business letter.

RUNAWAYS DIE IN COLD.

TWO BOYS UNDER NINE YEARS OF AGE FREEZE IN FIELD.

Hilding Holm and Frank Smith, Who, with Arthur Carlson, Escaped from Industrial Home, Found Dead—Third Boy in Critical Condition—Trio Spent Several Days Wandering Out of Doors—Parents Live in Rockford, Ill.

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The dead bodies of Hilding Holm, aged 8 years, and Frank Smith, aged 9 years, were found today in a cornfield near the Chicago Industrial home at Woodstock, Ill., from which institution they ran away last Monday. Arthur Carlson, another inmate, who left with them, is in a serious condition.

The boys had been inmates of the home for about three months. When they arrived there they tried to run away, but were detected. Their behavior improved and of late they had been given more liberty. Monday morning they left for school at the usual hour and seized the opportunity to escape. When they did not return at nightfall search was instituted, but no trace of them was obtained.

Sleep in a Corn Field.

The first night they spent in a barn, and the following day were seen about Woodstock. The second night they slept out again. Last night they went into a cornfield for shelter, and there were overcome by the cold.

A woman living in the neighborhood saw Carlson making his way out of the field on his hands and knees this morning. He was nearly dead from the exposure to which he had been subjected. The body of Holm was found against a corn shock, and forty rods away, against a fence, was the body of Smith. Death had overtaken them several hours before.

Both Punished for Robbery.

Holm and Carlson were committed to the institution as delinquent boys by the Juvenile court of this city for robbing a store. Smith was a boarder there. The parents of all the boys live in this city.

The Chicago Industrial home is a free Methodist institution, and is under the management of the Rev. and Mrs. W. E. Bardell. At the time the bodies were found the Rev. Dr. Bardell was searching for the runaways in Rockford. It was supposed they had returned to this city. An inquest was held in Woodstock tonight.

STORY OF PLOT TO ROB GRAVE OF BENJAMIN HARRISON.

Rufus Cantrel, Implicated in Indianapolis Crimes, Said to Have Been Chosen for the Work.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—In a letter received today by the police superintendent, a detailed story of a plot to rob the grave of former President Benjamin Harrison was given by a man named Wallace Simms, and the police are now looking for the writer and will investigate the matter. The letter states that Rufus Cantrel, who is now under indictment for stealing bodies, was to rob the grave of the ex-president, and convey the body to the office of a local physician.

A rumor of theft was to be put in circulation, and after it was confirmed by the opening of the grave it was supposed that a reward would be offered by the family for the body.

In the meantime, the body was to be placed in a physician's office, and after the reward was offered it was to be taken to the country and found by Cantrel, who would then claim the reward.

MASSACRE INDIANS IN ALASKA.

Steamer Amur from Skaguay Brings Account of Wholesale Crime by Pelly River Band.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 24.—The steamer Amur, which arrived from Skaguay today, brought news of the massacre of Little Salmon Indians.

Dispatches from Dawson state that the Little Salmon Indians were on their way out to sell furs when attacked by the Pelly Indians. The Little Salmons were encamped and they awaited the appearance of the Pellys without expecting danger. When the latter were within a short distance of the unsuspecting Little Salmon Indians they yelled and simultaneously fired their guns. A number of the Little Salmon Indians were slaughtered on the spot. Others were followed and killed while they were fleeing for safety. A small number of the party escaped and hurried to the police post at Tantalus.

ROOSEVELT HAS NOT YET DECIDED

President Neither Accepts Nor Rejects Proposal That He Act as Arbitrator.

TALKS IT OVER WITH HAY

Decision Rests Entirely Upon the Restrictions Imposed by the Allied Powers.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—President Roosevelt has neither accepted nor rejected the request of Great Britain and Germany that he act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan affair. His decision hinges entirely on the nature of the restrictions which the allies impose upon him.

It is declared that the president will lose no time in arriving at a decision. He realizes, his closest friends assert, that every day the blockade of the Venezuelan coast continues adds to the danger of more serious complications. At almost any moment some incident may transpire which will excite public feeling either in the United States or in England or Germany. The allies themselves are not working in entire harmony, and misunderstandings are likely to result which may not be relished in this country.

Confers with Secretary Hay.

For these reasons it is known that President Roosevelt is anxious to end the uncertainty as quickly as possible. He had a long conference with Secretary Hay. They had before them the official proposals of Germany and Great Britain to act as arbitrator. They are in such shape that the president can accept or decline the proposition. The president and his secretary of state went over the documents carefully, but no conclusion was arrived at, or, at least if a decision was reached, the fact was not made public. Neither at the White house nor at the state department was any light thrown on the situation.

No Word from Diehl.

The navy department has received no word from Commander Diehl of the Marietta concerning his reported protest against the action of the blockading squadron at Caracas in refusing to allow the Red D liner Caracas to remain in the harbor yesterday long enough to discharge its cargo. No request for instructions has come from him.

The officials of the department have entire confidence in Commander Diehl's ability to handle the situation, and unless they hear something from him in the shape of a protest against the action of the allies they will make no move. As a rule it is agreed that a blockading fleet can do pretty much as it likes.

It is intimated as a possible reason for the position taken by the allies in declining to allow the Caracas to remain in the harbor at night that in the dark it would be difficult to exercise surveillance of what was being taken out of its hold. For the same reason the allies may have decided that the liner should not return to the harbor, but should take on passengers outside.

Germany Objects to Hague Court.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Germany is anxious to receive President Roosevelt's acceptance of the formal invitation from Germany and Great Britain to act as arbitrator in the Venezuelan controversy. The German government's preference is decidedly in favor of arbitration through President Roosevelt rather than through The Hague tribunal, because it believes the president will reach an early decision, whereas The Hague court would require many months. The officials here also insist that it is to the United States' advantage to have the president decide the matter.

The German steamer Siberia, which sailed from Hamburg for Venezuela yesterday, carried an expert in international law, who will act as counsel for Commodore Scheder in technical legal questions arising during the blockade.

Commodore Scheder reports that the German blockade of Porto Cabello began on Dec. 22 and that the blockade of Maracaibo by the Germans commenced today.

The German cruiser Sperber is hurrying preparations to sail from Kiel for Venesuela about New Year's day.

Revolt Makes Progress.

The Lokal Anzeiger prints a La Guayra dispatch stating that it is confirmed on all sides that the revolution is making progress. The movement, however, lacks unity, and is without a leader. The dispatch adds that it seems scarcely possible that the blockade will produce hunger and distress in the country. Therefore, months may pass before discontent gains sufficient strength to cause President Castro's deposition.

More drastic measures would soon achieve this end. It is Castro alone who opposes the payment of Venezuela's debts. The blockade principally injures the foreign commercial community. The Venezuelans scarcely speak of it. The minister of foreign affairs laughs at it. He considers measures of defense superfluous, but declares that landing parties from the warships would be most determinedly resisted.

The levies initiated by the government are mostly carried out by methods of compulsion that are intended to assist the anti-revolutionary struggle. All beasts of burden, including those belonging to Germans, have been requisitioned by the government, they being required for the transportation of ammunition and food supplies.

France Thinks It a Trap.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The Temps, while it admits the possibility that President Roosevelt will accept the offer, or rather the challenge, of the powers, because his whole career proves his readiness to assume grave responsibilities without flinching, points out several difficulties which must result from what it terms a perfidious offer. The proposal, the Temps says, is a clever move of the powers to add a policeman's duties to the Monroe doctrine.

The only official attention thus far given here to the Venezuelan blockade is an announcement of the postoffice department that the mailboats leaving Bordeaux and Marseilles will cease to touch at La Guayra, Porto Cabello, and Carupano, and that all correspondence for Venezuela will be carried to Fort de France, Martinique, pending the blockade.

Italy Prefers Roosevelt.

ROME, Dec. 24.—Italy's reply to the arbitration proposal of Venezuela, through Minister Bowen and the government of the United States, among other things says Italy would be pleased if the question was settled by the arbitration of President Roosevelt, and adds that if he does not accept Italy will

have no objection to submitting the solution to The Hague tribunal.

White Gives Up Christmas.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Dec. 25, 3 a. m.—Henry White, the American chargé d'affaires, will remain in London over Christmas to attend to Venezuelan affairs.

Rebels Now Menace Caracas.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

WILLEMSTAD, Curacoa, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Caracas says three rebel armies, 3,200 strong, are marching on Caracas from Alta Gracia and Guatier. The situation is critical. The people of Venezuela have no more money to lend the government.

The revolutionists have made answer to President Castro's proposition that they turn their arms against the foreigners who have attacked Venezuela by referring him to Gen. Matos.

The revolutionists have planned a march on Caracas by three roads. The leaders, Ramos, Antonio Guevara, Urbaneta, and Penaloza, with 2,500 men, will march via Guatire; Antonio Fernandez, Osio, and Crespo Torres, with 2,500 more, have left Camanagus; and Gen. Rolando, with 2,500 troops, will go from Alta Gracia. Ammunition is expected to arrive every day near Tucacus.

Steamer Caracas Sails Away.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

CARACAS, Dec. 24.—The American steamer Caracas, which was allowed to land its passengers and mails and a part of its cargo yesterday, but which was ordered to leave before night, took its departure at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. It took on board passengers and mails, which were conveyed by boats from the American gunboat Marietta.

President Castro has left the capital and gone to Valencia, where he will spend the holidays.

The state of uncertainty existing as to the result of the proposal for arbitration and the possibility of its refusal, have unnerved the members of government circles. The blockade and the consequent vexations to American and other interests are exasperating the foreigners here.

Ignorant of War Declared.

In an interview today Lopez Baralt, minister of foreign affairs, said he had not been informed of a declaration of war by Great Britain.

"I am greatly surprised at the news that such a step has been taken," said Señor Baralt. "I had believed that the matter was approaching a settlement. Venezuela having offered to submit unconditionally to the arbitration of United States Minister Bowen or President Roosevelt. Venezuela does not regard the existing blockade as tantamount to a state of war, but the country is prepared to resist to the utmost."

Will Test the Blockade.

The Red D line steamer Merida has left Willemstad, Curacoa, for Maracaibo. It will attempt to ascertain whether the blockade is effective.

There is much indignation among the people of La Guayra with Sig. de Riva and Herr von Pilgrim-Baltazzi, who are considered responsible for the shelling of the forts at Puerto Cabello. The envoys promenade daily on the beach at La Guayra, and it is feared they may be the object of some demonstration.

Dutch Steamer Turned Away.

LA GUAYRA, Venezuela, Dec. 24.—The Dutch steamer Prins Willem II., from New York Dec. 5, arrived off La Guayra this morning, but, owing to difficulties with the blockading squadron and to the refusal of the agent to pay the port charges, left without communicating with the shore.

At 7 o'clock this evening the British cruiser Tribune captured a schooner and a sloop outside this port.

Curacao Not for Sale.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24.—In the states general, M. Van Kol, minister of colonies, declared today the rumors that the Dutch government contemplated selling the island of Curacao to Germany or any other foreign power to be entirely without foundation.

ATTACK ON HUMBERTS FEARED.

French Government Takes Unusual Precautions to Save Swindlers from Mob Violence.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The French government is taking extraordinary precautions to prevent mob violence against the Humberts when they arrive in Paris. The prisoners will be brought to the capital in a special car, guarded by M. Hennion, chief of detectives, four civil guards, four police inspectors, and two of the best detectives in the service. Troops will be waiting at the railroad station to afford further protection against a popular demonstration.

Affects Christmas Rejoicing.

The affair continues to be the universal topic for discussion, and even affects the Christmas rejoicing, many of the holiday novelties depicting phases in the famous case. One of these is a miniature Humbert safe, as empty as that which induced bankers and others to lend millions to the Humberts.

The nature of the legal proceedings has not yet been definitely settled. The statement in the extradition papers that the accused are charged with swindling and irregular bankruptcy proceedings gives a general idea of the lines of the prosecution. The creditors are chiefly interested in rescuing the remnant of their assets, and plans are on foot for a meeting of the creditors with a view to arranging an equitable division.

Informer Gets Sixty Cents.

A Madrid dispatch to the Matin says a fellow tenant of Mme. Mujica, who was on friendly terms with the Humberts and to whom they intrusted a considerable amount of their money, wrote an anonymous letter to the police which led to the arrest of the swindlers. The person who wrote this letter will receive only three pesetas (60 cents), which is the sum allowed by Spain to informers. The reward of $5,000 offered by France for the arrest of the Humberts will go to the Spanish detective, Caro, who made the arrests.

CHINA FEARS NEW INQUIRY.

Board of Foreign Affairs Apologising for Unwarranted Conduct Regarding Telegraph Seizures.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

PEKIN, Dec. 24.—The board of foreign affairs has adopted an apologetic attitude concerning the action of the throne in confiscating the telegraphs and steamship interests. The board is desirous of minimising the highhandedness of the proceeding and to avert foreign inquiry and criticism.

It pretends that the government is unable to pay for even the private telegraph shares, which are estimated to be worth $2,250,000. High Chinese say that it is not necessary to raise the entire amount by taxation, and that the throne could secure a large proportion of the sum by granting rank and titles.

Rumors reach here of rebellious plans that are being prepared by Prince Tuan and Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang. Other rebellions have started throughout the Yang-tse valley, according to these reports.

Gen. Miles has sailed for Port Arthur on a Russian battleship which Admiral Alexieff put at his service to convey him to Taku. He is expected to arrive here tomorrow.

W. W. ASTOR GIVES TO HOSPITAL

Presents $250,000 to Institution in Great Ormond Street in Memory of His Daughter.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Dec. 24.—William Waldorf Astor has given $250,000 to build a new department for the hospital for sick children in Great Ormond street. It will be dedicated to the memory of his daughter Gwendoline, who died recently.

British Spinners Show Losses.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The depression in the British cotton spinning industry is evidenced by the fact that eighty-five joint stock companies in Lancashire, with an aggregate capital of $25,175,000, and having 6,667,000 spindles, record a net loss of $7,150 for this year.

Spain and Uruguay Sign Treaty.

MADRID, Dec. 24.—Notification of the conclusion of an arbitration treaty between Spain and Uruguay was gazetted today.

BRITAIN CLAIMS MONROE DOCTRINE

London Press Converts American Policy Into an English Interest.

NO WAR CLOUD IN SIGHT.

Venezuelan Affair Now Considered Safe in Hands of President Roosevelt.

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[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Dec. 25, 3 a. m.—The Venezuela plums in the Christmas pudding are more digestible than they were seven years ago and the Monroe doctrine sauce is not equally high seasoned. Indeed, a good many writers for the press have converted it into a home made sauce by insisting that Canning was behind President Monroe, and that the doctrine is of genuine British interest.

It is not likely that any Englishman's dinner will be spoiled today by the reflection that the country is technically at war with Venezuela, nor by Kipling's lament over the coalition with Hun and Goth. Lord Lansdowne's Christmas certainly will not be clouded with diplomatic anxieties, for he has escaped from the foreign office to his Irish estate for a change of air.

The difficulties in the situation have been increased by the march of the insurgent armies upon Caracas and the technicalities over neutral ships, and there will be a feeling of relief in England if the press dispatches indicating Roosevelt's consent to act as arbitrator are fully confirmed. This solution is favored here, because it promises immediate relief and a suspension of the anomalous blockade.

Monroe Doctrine Is British.

English writers, moreover, with the zeal of new converts to the idea that the Monroe doctrine is a British no less than an American interest, prefer to have the Washington government retain direct control of troublesome questions relating to financial claims against Venezuela. The practicability of obtaining a guarantee from any source when one revolutionary government rapidly follows another is questioned, and President Roosevelt's acceptance of the responsibilities of arbitrator at the request of all the governments interested will cause a general satisfaction.

The English questions involved in the Venezuela affair are considered to be too important to be submitted to The Hague tribunal, since the Monroe principle was brought into operation when restrictions were placed by the Washington government upon the joint naval demonstration, and since also precedents of momentous importance will be established in the application of processes of international distraint to financial operations of minor republics in South and Central America.

With Roosevelt as arbitrator the Monroe doctrine does not need guarantees. Secretary Hay is also credited with having made an exhaustive study of the subject and with having ample evidence of the sincerity of both Germany and England in cooperating with the United States to bring about a just settlement without subjecting Venezuela to unnecessary humiliation.

Talk of New Archbishop.

The bishop of Winchester's health is described by his friends as sufficiently robust to permit him to become the temporary successor of the archbishop of Canterbury. He is a natural diplomat and a courtier, like the late archbishop, and essentially unlike the rough and rugged Temple. The bishop of Rochester is also named as a possible choice of the king and Premier Balfour for the primate.

Light on American History.

Lady Gage has discovered among family papers at her Sussex country house an interesting correspondence between Thomas Gage, the last royalist governor of Massachusetts, and Samuel Adams, John Hancock, Josiah Quincy, and other Boston leaders of the American revolution. These letters apparently have escaped the observation of Bancroft and other American historians.

Christmas Festivities Begin.

The Christmas festivities at Sandringham will include the queen's tree for her grandchildren and will be followed by a series of shooting parties in the next three weeks. Blenheim, Welbeck abbey, Middleton park, and Lowther castle will be closed owing to the absence of the dukes and earls, who have gone to India or to the Riviera. The largest party is at Chatsworth and many guests will be entertained by Lord Howe, Lord Zetland, and Lord Algernon Lennox, and there will be theatricals at Newlands, where the princess and prince of Pless and Miss Muriel Wilson will appear. There will be family parties at Goodwood, Eaton hall, Woburn, Wynyard, Dalkeith, and Hatfield, and the Balfour clan will be entertained by the prime minister at Whittinghame. I. N. F.

SIX ESTATES MUST BE SOLD.

Failure of English Banking Firm, Involving Loss of $2,500,000, Throws Property on the Market.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Dec. 24.—In consequence of the failure of the banking firm of J. & J. W. Pease of Darlington, whose liabilities are estimated at $2,500,000, six country estates will be sold at auction in February. The principal of these is the Hutton hall estate of Sir Joseph Pease in Yorkshire, which comprises a mansion and the whole village of Hutton. Another in Nauthorpe hall, also in Yorkshire, belonging to Joseph Albert Pease. This estate contains an old Jacobean mansion. The six estates comprise 3,000 acres of land.

POPE LEO CELEBRATES MASS.

Pontiff Entirely Recovered from Indisposition and Officiates at Christmas Service.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

ROME, Dec. 25, 3 a. m.—His holiness, Pope Leo XIII., celebrated mass in his private chapel last night, after which he wished all present a merry Christmas, and said, laughingly: "Do I look as if I had been ill yesterday?"

The pontiff delivered the benediction personally.

The pope arose yesterday morning at 7 and celebrated mass in his private chapel.

HUNGARIAN COUNT A SUICIDE.

Deputy and Member of Noble Family Ties Himself Into Boat and Then Shoots.

VIENNA, Dec. 24.—Count Stephen Bethlen, a Hungarian deputy and a member of an ancient and noble family, committed suicide today at Abazzia, a watering place on the gulf of Fiume. At dawn the count took a small boat and rowed out a short distance from shore. He then shot himself. Before doing so he tied himself to the mast of the boat in order to prevent his body from falling overboard. The count had recently suffered from nervous prostration.

QUAKE VICTIMS ARE STARVING.

Famine and Freezing Weather Add to Horror of Homeless People of Russian City Recently Destroyed.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 24.—Starvation has added its horrors to the situation at Andijan, the city in Russian central Asia recently destroyed by an earthquake. The temperature has fallen to the freezing point, and thousands of persons are homeless, without food.

THE DAY OF THE LITTLE HEART—NO. 2.

Jingling bells, in their dreams, they hear,
And the patter of slender hoofs;
Jolly shoutings and laughter clear,
As the Saint comes across the roofs.

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MILES TOLD OF CRUELTY.

LIEUTENANT GENERAL HEARS COMPLAINTS FROM FILIPINOS.

Natives of Luson Relate Stories of Ill Treatment at the Hands of American Soldiers and Asks That They Be Investigated—Bodies of Two Men Who Are Alleged to Have Been Whipped to Death Exhumed—Reports Sent to Washington.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

MANILA, Dec. 24.—The visit of Lieut. Gen. Miles to the Philippines has resulted in an official investigation of a number of cases of alleged cruelty to natives by American soldiers.

When Lieut. Gen. Miles was at Lipa, in the province of Batangas, Luzon, certain natives laid charges before him that during the campaign of reconcentration American soldiers had committed acts of cruelty and violence. Gen. Miles referred the matters to Gen. Davis, and the latter detailed Col. Morris C. Foote of the Twenty-ninth infantry to investigate. Col. Foote found the charge of violence to be untrue, but it is believed he found in some cases that the water cure had been administered. His report will be sent to Washington.

While Gen. Miles was in the islands Maj. George K. Hunter of the Fifteenth cavalry repeated to him certain charges which had been brought against Capt. Robert L. Howze of the Sixth cavalry, when in command at Laoag, North Ilocos, Luzon, in 1900. At the time specified Capt. Howze was lieutenant colonel of the Thirty-fourth volunteer infantry.

Natives Whipped to Death.

Maj. Hunter said that native officials of Laoag had whipped certain prisoners, two of whom died from the effects of this treatment.

At the time of this alleged occurrence Maj. Hunter was serving at Laoag; he reported the matter in a letter to Gov. Taft, who informed Gen. MacArthur. Capt. Howze denied the charges. An investigation was ordered and the bodies of the two prisoners who died were exhumed. In their report the investigators held Capt. Howze to be blameless. Gen. Miles brought Maj. Hunter to the north of Luzon and landed him at Laoag before leaving the islands for China. At present Maj. Hunter is in Manila. He says the investigation into the charges against Capt. Howze has not yet been completed.

Charges of Native Cruelty.

After leaving Manila Gen. Miles sent a cablegram to Gen. Bell directing him to report what cases of misconduct on the part of the enemy had led him to issue circular No. 5, in which it was charged that the enemy had boloed American wounded, had made use of American uniforms, had planted infernal machines, shot poisoned arrows, violated their paroles, assassinated friendly natives, accepted office under the Americans for the purpose of obtaining information, and had entered the American lines by deceit. Gen. Bell has written an extended report enumerating the instances which justified him in his action.

The inquiry into the causes which led to the death of Father Augustin has been completed and forwarded to Washington.

The water cure was administered to Father Augustin at Banate, Panay island; the priest died from the effect of this treatment. It is said that a large sum of money has been raised among the natives of the southern islands and sent to Boston to aid in the private prosecution of the Augustin case. The claim has been made that this money was intended for use against Maj. Edwin F. Glenn of the Fifth infantry, who is charged with unlawfully and wilfully killing seven prisoners of war, and whose trial will be continued here in January. Maj. Glenn, however, was in no way connected with the Augustin case.

CHANGES IN BRITISH NAVY.

Executive, Engineering, and Marine Officers Must Take Same Seven Years' Course of Training.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Lord Selborne, first lord of the admiralty, today announced a number of sweeping changes in the British naval service.

Hitherto the three classes of combatant officers, executives, engineers, and marines entered the service under different conditions and underwent different training. The executive officers have not been taught the use of machinery, engineers have not been taught watch keeping or navigation, and marines have been so educated as to be positively useless afloat.

Under the new regulation there will be one system of supply of cadets, one system of entry, and one system of training. For seven years all cadets will take the same course, which is specified in the memorandum.

At the end of the course each cadet will become a sublieutenant and will be entitled to choose in which branch of the service he will specialize. Thereafter his educational career will be prolonged considerably. Later the present old distinctions of the engineers will vanish and they will rank as executive officers and wear the same uniforms as the latter. Officers of marines will be utilized for executive duties while at sea. The scheme will become operative next July.

To Florida in Through Cars.

Through sleeper for Thomasville, Ga., Jacksonville, St. Petersburg, and intermediate Florida resorts, leaves Dearborn station, Chicago, daily, 7 p. m., via Chicago and Eastern Illinois railroad. Reduced rate tickets on sale to all southern and southeastern resorts. City ticket office, 181 Adams street. 'Phone Central 555.

PRINCE BEAT ROYAL WIFE

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN SCANDAL AT SAXON COURT.

Berlin Newspapers Declare That Crown Princess Louise Had Been Subject to Brutal Treatment and Had Several Times Made Unsuccessful Attempts to Elope with Other Men—Said to Have Left Confession—Brother Approves of Flight.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Details of the scandal which has broken up the royal family of Saxony are beginning to come to light. The Vossische Zeitung declares that the crown prince was in the habit of beating the crown princess. The Lokalanzeiger also declares that previous to the disappearance of the Crown Princess Louise with her children's tutor, Prof. Giron, she made several unsuccessful attempts to elope with other persons. These the crown prince forgave.

Left Written Confession.

It is reported at Dresden that the crown princess left for her husband a written confession of her relations with M. Giron, together with a declaration of her unalterable intention of never returning to the Saxon court. The court has no official information as to the present whereabouts of the princess, but it is known here that she is going to Mentone, France, to reside. The court at present is concerned with considerations as to the best course to pursue in the matter. It is believed that the pope will be appealed to to grant an absolute divorce.

The Cologne Gazette prints an official communication on behalf of the German royal family in regard to the conduct of the crown princess. It announces that official circles in Saxony treat the matter with regret. It is agreed, however, that the newspapers have dealt judiciously and in an open manner with the affair. While pious old King George was alive there could not be any question of a divorce between the crown prince and his wife, both of whom are Roman Catholics, but it is hoped in Protestant court circles that such proceedings may now be taken. It is known that august persons in Berlin and Vienna are in favor of such action as the best solution of the unfortunate affair.

The sympathy of the people of Dresden seems wholly with the princess, who is of a cheerful, pleasure seeking disposition. The crown prince loved to torment her. Among the writers forbidden her were Tolstoi, Zola, and Nitzsche.

Prof. Andre Giron is described as an idealist of the extreme type. It is related that his family once considered the question of confining him in an asylum because he refused a legacy on grounds of delicacy of feeling.

Brother Approves Her Flight.

SALZBURG, Dec. 24.—The Crown Princess Louise and her brother, the Archduke Leopold, left letters giving the reasons for their flight. The letter of the crown princess contains a passage which declares that she will not return to her husband under any circumstances. The Archduke Leopold in his letter approves of his sister's action. He resigns his titles until the matter can be arranged in the manner she desires. It transpires that Archduke Leopold and the crown princess drove to Hallein in a hired two horse carriage as if they were going on a shooting excursion. There they boarded an express train, sending the carriage back to Hallein.

Giron Esteemed in Brussels.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—Andre Giron is the son of a judge of the Belgian Court of Cassation. He left Brussels for Dresden a few months ago to act as tutor to the children of the crown princess. He is about 23 years of age and is highly esteemed in Belgium. He returned to Brussels quietly about two weeks ago. He avoided all his friends and departed as mysteriously as he came.

ENOCH ARDEN FINDS WIFE TIRED OF SECOND HUSBAND.

Charles Ross, Reported Dead, Returns to Hammond and Makes Up with the Woman He Deserted.

After having deserted his wife of one year, leaving her with a baby a few days old, and remaining away four years, Charles Ross of Hammond returned yesterday to find his wife had married another and that she was defendant in a divorce suit.

No trace could be found of Ross after he left Hammond and Mrs. Ross, who was Miss Nellie Wicker, finally counted him among the dead, a report to that effect having reached her.

Two years ago she married Nicholas Kallzos of Hammond, but her life with her second husband, it is said, was not a happy one.

Last summer Kallzos brought a suit for divorce, alleging incompatibility, but the case was continued. A few weeks ago he was arrested on complaint of his wife, charged with assault and battery. When called for a hearing the case was dismissed.

Mrs. Kallzos went down the street yesterday to do some Christmas shopping and was surprised to meet Ross, who had returned from his wanderings. The couple made up at once, and at the residence of the young woman's parents there will be a joyous Christmas today. Ross refused to explain his disappearance.

Papers of Mine Manager Seized.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The police of this city have seized the papers of Jean de la Mar, manager of the Klondike Mining company. The company is a Paris concern, and all the parties interested are Frenchmen. Three arrests have been made. M. de la Mar asserts that the mines are being worked and that they yield $12,000 a month.

Mayor Harrison says:

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CARRIES WRECK BEFORE IT

PENNSYLVANIA LIMITED DRIVES SLOW TRAIN A MILE.

Engine, Tearing Along Sixty-five Miles an Hour, Crashes Into Accommodation Near Pittsburg, Plows Through Two Cars, and Pushes Mass Along to Next Station—Many Killed and Scores Injured in Collisions and Railway Accidents of Day.

VICTIMS OF YESTERDAY'S WRECKS.

	Dead.	Injured.
Quaker Valley, Pa.	0	7
Trinidad, Colo.	7	2
Rogers, Neb.	0	12
Waverly, W. Va.	0	9
McCords, Mich.	0	5
North Dartmouth, Mass.	2	1
Urbana, Ill.	0	1
Louisville, Ky.	0	7

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 25, 3 a. m.—[Special.]—The Pennsylvania limited on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago railway, crowded with Christmas travelers, running one hour late and racing along at sixty-five miles an hour to make up the lost time, crashed into the rear end of the Leesville accommodation shortly before midnight, ripped through two cars of the train, picked up the wreckage, and carried the entire accommodation three-quarters of a mile before it could be stopped.

Seven persons who were in the demolished cars were injured, two of them fatally, and at this hour section men are searching along the path over which the limited carried its slower sister to see if any bodies were thrown off during the wild rush.

The collision happened in front of the station at Quaker Valley, twelve miles from this place. The accommodation was just pulling out of the station when the limited came roaring along. The big engine of the fast train plowed through the smoker of the accommodation, drove it through the coach in front, and then, with hardly impeded speed, swept the rest of the accommodation on before it. The engineer, surrounded by wreckage, managed to stick to his post in the pitching, rolling engine, and brought the train to a standstill at Edgeworth.

The passengers in the limited were thrown from their berths by the shock, but not one wheel of the fast train left the track and it practically was uninjured.

Seven Killed in Colorado.

Trinidad, Colo., Dec. 24.—Seven men were killed and two fatally injured in a freight wreck one and one-half miles north of this place on the Colorado and Southern railroad about 6:45 o'clock this evening.

The cause of the accident was that the regular train had been overlooked, the extra running without orders. Before any of the trainmen could jump, the trains crashed together. Fourteen loaded coal cars of the regular train were wrecked and seven of the extra demolished. Both of the engines are complete wrecks. The bodies of the dead are still under the wreckage.

Twelve Injured in Nebraska.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Twelve persons were injured, one fatally, in a collision between the Colorado special and a freight train on the Union Pacific at Rogers, Neb. Among the injured is A. W. Cole of Chicago.

The freight, east bound, was entering a siding when the passenger train, west bound, crashed into it head on. The passenger train was only 100 yards from the freight and running forty miles an hour when Engineer Bay saw the danger. He reversed and put on the emergency brakes and staid by his engine until the crash came. The fireman jumped.

The two engines were demolished, the tender of the passenger train telescoped the baggage car, and the dining car was damaged.

Six Hurt in West Virginia Crash.

Marietta, O., Dec. 24. — [Special.] — Two passenger trains on the Ohio River railroad collided head on, near Waverly, W. Va., during a blinding snow storm today. Six persons were injured, of whom two, J. A. Queen of Marietta and Fireman Wyatt of Parkersburg, may die.

The trains had orders to pass at Waverly, but for some reason unexplained the southbound train was backing into the siding when the northbound, running at a high rate of speed, struck it.

Serious Wreck in Michigan.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 24.—During a heavy snow storm this morning Detroit train No. 2 on the Père Marquette railroad crashed into the rear end of Saginaw train No. 32 at McCords, a flag station fifteen miles east of here. The engineer of No. 2 did not see the rear lights of the Saginaw train until too late to stop his train. Five persons were badly injured.

Car Hurled from Trestle.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 24.—Six persons were injured, several seriously, as the result of a collision between the trailer of an electric train of the Kentucky and Indiana bridge and railway company and a Big Four freight on a siding on the Water street trestle today. The trailer of the electric train was thrown from the trestle to the ground eighteen feet below, and the occupants were all hurt.

Killed at Grade Crossing.

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 24.—While driving over the Big Four railroad tracks near here today, Isaac MacCormick and Robert Conmore, farmers of Champaign county, were struck by a passenger train. MacCormick was killed and Conmore probably fatally injured.

Two Killed at Grade Crossing.

Fall River, Mass., Dec. 24.—A man and a young girl were killed and a woman probably fatally injured tonight in a collision of a passenger train with the vehicle in which they were riding at a crossing near North Dartmouth, on the New York and New Haven road.

Loses Christmas Present Money.

W. Y. Raymond, who lives at the Hotel Del Prado, had the misfortune to lose his Christmas money before he had bought all his presents, while walking in Michigan avenue, near the Park row railway station. Though the sum of money was not large, his purse contained railway tickets and other valuable papers, the loss of which he feels keenly. There were in the wallet three $10 and two $1 bills, a commutation ticket to Lake Forest, and a ticket on the Burlington road.

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78 WABASH AVENUE.

CLEARING SALE OF GROCERIES.

Cost cuts no figure—you will save money by taking advantage of these offerings:

2-lb. cans Marrowfat Peas	4 cents	2-lb. cans Stringless Beans	5 cents
3-lb. cans Solid Meat Tomatoes			8 cents
3-lb. cans Pie Peaches			4 cents
3-lb. cans Baltimore Table Peaches			8 cents
3-lb. cans Michigan Table Peaches			10 cents
3-lb. cans California Table Peaches			12 cents
3-lb. cans Eastern Pears	7 cents	3-lb. cans Blue Plums	8 cents
2-lb. cans Blackberries	5 cents	Cranberry Sauce, per can	4 cents
Cervelat and Summer Sausage, per lb.			5 cents
6 ounce cans Pure Ground Pepper, Cinnamon, Ginger, Cloves or Allspice			8 cents
Walter Baker's Premium Chocolate			29 cents
Very fine Roasted Peaberry Mocha Coffee, per lb.			12 cents
Pint bottles Snider's Tomatoe Catsup			15 cents
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Grape Nuts or Grain Fruit, per pkg.			10 cents
2-lb. cans Carrots			2 cents
Wheat Flakes, the most delicious breakfast diah, per pkg.			7 cents
8-lb- pails Best Sauer Kraut			15 cents
Dark Cooking Molasses, per gallon			19 cents
A 75-cent All-Willow Large Laundry Basket			39 cents
A 75-cent fancy Japanned Bread Box for			29 cents
3-lb. cans Apple Butter	6 cents	10-lb. boxes Flat Noodles for	32 cents
1-lb. cans 25-cent Baking Powder for			10 cents
Best quality Fresh Baked Soda Crackers, 3-lb. boxes, 15 cents; 2-lb. boxes, 10 cents; 1-lb. box			5 cents
Malta Vita, per package			12 cents
Very fancy Bright California Nectarines, per lb.			9 cents
All New Mixed Nuts, per lb.			9 cents
New California Cooking Figs, per lb.			5 cents
Shredded Wheat Biscuit, per package			9½ cents
California L. M. Raisins, per lb.			5½ cents
California Evaporated Peaches, per lb.			5 cents
25 lbs. Pure New York Buckwheat Flour, packed in handsome air-tight tin cannister			$1.00
Fine Granulated Sugar, 22 lbs. for			$1.00
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COLD CHRISTMAS AND MERRY ONE.

Old Fashioned Weather, with Almost Zero Temperature, for Today.

POMP IN THE CHURCHES.

Many Entertainments Planned for the Poor and Unfortunate in Chicago.

A cold, white Christmas is Chicago's lot this year, "a regular old fashioned Christmas" so far as the temperature goes, though the snow will not be piled high around the doors and drifted deep in the roads as in grandfather's days.

The temperature this morning, states the weather forecast, will not be more than 5° above zero, and may not be that. A stiff wind from the northwest is promised to add to the attractiveness of the home fireside. The cold snap will remain for at least two days, and perhaps longer. From the present indications it is not known how long it will last.

Services in the Churches.

But despite the cold weather there will be plenty of Christmas warmth and cheer throughout Chicago. Many churches will be crowded and all the pomp of the Christmas feast will be enacted. Thousands of poor will dine well on what charity has sent them and the public wards in hospitals and jail will not be forgotten.

In nearly all the Roman Catholic churches the solemn high mass was sung at 4 a. m. The most elaborate musical programs will be rendered at the morning mass at 10:30. At the Cathedral the Rev. F. J. Barry will sing the early mass and the Rev. M. J. Fitzsimmons the 10:30 mass. The Episcopal churches will generally observe the day with services of music and praise. In other Protestant churches formal services will be held in the morning in some cases, while in others Christmas was either recognized at last Sunday's services or will be next Sunday. Festivities for the Sunday schools will be the general rule this evening.

In addition to the Catholic churches, whose services were announced last Sunday, are the following: Holy Family, Holy Name cathedral, St. Paul's (German), St. Mary's, Our Lady of the Angels, St. Charles Borromeo, Blessed Sacrament, St. Malachy's, Our Lady of Lourdes (Bohemian), Our Lady of Lourdes (Ravenswood), and St. Francis.

Episcopal churches whose programs have not been published which will observe Christmas are: Trinity, Grace, Church of the Atonement, Church of the Ascension, St. Mark's (Evanston), St. Luke's, St. Mark's, Unity, and All Saints' (Ravenswood). The Trinity and First Methodist churches will have services, and a musical program will be given at the Third Presbyterian church. The Pacific Garden mission will welcome its friends and the Arché club will present a cantata at Grand Boulevard hall.

To Make Children Happy.

Thousands of children will be remembered by churches and schools, and the list of celebrations for the various institutions is bewildering. Father Heidmann, pastor of St. Paul's Roman Catholic church, will distribute two carloads of coal to the poor of his parish this morning.

The boys of the John Worthy school were told to hang up their stockings last night, and today they will all be invited to a Christmas celebration. At the jail Mr. Whitman has arranged for religious services, a banquet, and an entertainment. At 2 p. m. the amphitheater of the County hospital will be the scene of a holiday pantomime for all of the patients who can be moved from their beds.

Find Happiness in Giving.

A unique Christmas entertainment was given at the Englewood Baptist church last evening. Instead of the usual presentation of gifts to members of the Sunday school the latter brought coal, flour, vegetables, and other artfcles to be distributed among the poor of the suburb. Members of the class of J. C. Dennison carried $23 worth of flour in wheelbarrows. Members of the class of J. W. Burdette carried coal in wheelbarrows, while each member of a third class carried a live chicken. Cabbages were carried by another class.

CHRISTMAS PENNY HARVEST BEGINS FOR TRACTION MEN.

One Conductor Gets Nine Cents and Says "It Helps"—Another Will Have His Framed—Expect Many Today.

Nine cents was collected by a conductor on a Clark street limits car yesterday as a result of the plea made by Laura Dainty Pelham for a 6 cent Christmas fare.

"Nine cents helps," declared the conductor, "and I am glad to be able to take it home. We expect that tomorrow we will reap a harvest."

Other conductors were more or less fortunate, but without exception every one of them is waiting optimistically for the contributions of today.

A Lincoln avenue conductor received 1 cent during the day and declared, smilingly, that he proposed to save it until he got another cent, when he intended to purchase a copy of THE TRIBUNE to show his appreciation of the effort it had made in behalf of the faretakers. "If I am not the luckiest," he said, "I'll hope for the others."

"A woman gave me 6 cents," said a Madison street electric car conductor yesterday, "and then wanted me to give her a transfer to Maywood. When I told her I could not give her a transfer which would be good beyond Austin avenue she wanted to take her cent back. There are others, though, and I know that tomorrow our stockings will be well filled."

J. J. HILL, CAUGHT IN SNOW, REACHES ST. PAUL LATE.

President of Great Northern Road Has Fight with Blizzard in Order to Get Home for Christmas.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—James J. Hill, president of the Great Northern road, has had a narrow escape from spending his Christmas snowbound outside the city. His train has been reported within two hours of the yards and coming in slowly behind extra locomotives and snow plows.

For nearly twelve hours President Hill's car and the train it was attached to was out of reach of communication owing to the bad condition of the wires.

Reports from all along the line are to the effect that the weather is extremely bad, and the blizzard is growing worse every hour.

COKE WORKERS GET INCREASE.

Frick and Bessemer Companies Post Notices of Voluntary Advances of 8 Per Cent.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—Notices will be posted throughout the Connellsville coke regions today granting the 20,000 employés of the Frick Coke company a voluntary advance in wages averaging 8 per cent. The increase will take effect Jan. 1, and includes the miners, coke drawers, drivers, cagers, and laborers. It means that the company will next year dispense in wages to its men $1,600,000 more than it has this year.

The Bessemer Coke company, which is the second largest independent coke producing interest in the Connellsville coking field, today notified their employés that an advance of 8 per cent in wages at all the plants of the company would become effective Jan. 1. The notice of the advance was announced simultaneously at the five plants of the company, and applies to the wages of 5,000 men.

THE DAY OF THE LITTLE HEART—NO. 3.

Dawn brings waking, and rousing call;
Never pausing for time to dress,
They must scamper adown the hall
In the morning of happiness.

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HOLIDAY WON BY CLERKS.

CLOTHING STORES WILL REMAIN CLOSED ALL OF CHRISTMAS.

Employes Receive Full Pay for the First Time in Chicago — Only One Firm to Break the Unanimity of the Action — Grocery and Meat Shops Also Will Lock Their Doors After a Few Hours' Business This Morning —Electric Co. Makes Concessions.

Retail clerks employed in the clothing stores of Chicago will enjoy a complete Christmas holiday for the first time. Reports received at the headquarters of their organization last evening showed that every merchant, with one exception, had yielded to the petitions of their men and would not open for business today.

Grocers and market men have agreed to close their stores before noon, and the majority of them will cease to do business by 10 o'clock. The smaller department stores in the outlying districts also will close.

Union clerks are jubilant over the victory secured by their organization, and they say it has strengthened their cause materially. While the employés have in some cases taken a day off on Christmas in former years it is said they lost a day's pay for their holiday. This year they will be allowed full wages for the day.

One Firm Breaks Unanimity.

H. J. Conway, leader of the clerks' union, said that Stern Bros., Larrabee street and North avenue, was the only firm that had refused the request of the men, although competing stores in the neighborhood had agreed not to open their doors. Plans were discussed for picketing this store. There is a police station directly across the street, and the men were warned to be careful not to do anything that would cause them to end their holiday in a cell.

"This Christmas closing is the best thing we have gained since the retail clerks formed a union," said Mr. Conway. "When we first started out to get the stores to close we were met with much opposition. A number of merchants insisted they would do business the same as usual, and we thought we would have to spend the day appealing to their customers to stay away. Every merchant except Stern Bros. finally has agreed to close, and many of the employers went out and helped us."

Two Holidays with Full Pay.

A notice was posted yesterday in the shops of the Morgan & Gardner Electric company, Shields avenue and Twenty-seventh street, that full holidays would be granted the employés on Christmas and New Year's, with full pay. The holiday has been granted in the past at the expense of the men.

Conference on Wage Scale.

Committees from the Truck Teamsters' union and the Truck Owners' association met in the Temple Court building yesterday and discussed the new wage and hour scale asked by the teamsters. The session will be resumed tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, and it was said that the prospects for an agreement were good.

FATHER HOME FROM JOLIET: SON IS IN JAIL FOR THEFT.

No Christmas Celebration and No Toys in the House of "Tom" Leyden and His Children.

In one home in Orleans street, near Chicago avenue, where there was to be no Christmas tree, three boys sat last night and wondered how they were to celebrate the return of their father from the Joliet penitentiary. One of the boys, 11 years old, was sent on an errand, and while on the street he yielded to the temptation to possess himself of a bundle that a Christmas shopper was carrying. As a result he was arrested by Policeman Maher, who had been the means of convicting his father of murder.

The boy was George Leyden, a son of Thomas Leyden, who was sent to the penitentiary five years ago for the murder of Marvin Hart. The boy sobbed himself to sleep in a cell, after saying he had thought the bundle he stole might contain some toys.

"Tom" Leyden, the boy's father, was a saloonkeeper on Market street. Marvin Hart was a friend of Leyden's and had saved considerable money. Hart had no heirs. He told Leyden he had made a will leaving him his property. Finally Hart became ill and Leyden visited him every day. One evening Hart was found dead in his bed. He had been poisoned. Leyden was arrested and convicted. People who know him well declared a combination of circumstances led to his conviction.

Leyden has just been released from the penitentiary. He has secured employment, but he has no money for Christmas trees.

The police were unable to secure the name of the man whom young Leyden robbed.

THOUSANDS GET INCREASED PAY.

St. Paul Railway Raises the Wages of Its Engineers and Firemen.

GIVES 10 PER CENT MORE.

Other Roads May Follow the Example, Which Was Set by Northwestern.

Forty-seven hundred engineers and firemen employed on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad received a Christmas present last evening in the shape of a 10 per cent increase in wages.

The advance, which goes into effect on Dec. 28, means an additional $500,000 in the pay of the men involved. The agreement was drawn up and approved by the company's officials and committees of the employés. It will be signed for the company in a few days, and will be ratified by the local brotherhoods of the engineers and firemen at the next meeting.

The new schedule of wages is as follows, the standard of compensation being 100 miles of travel:

ENGINEERS.

Type of engine.	Passenger.	Freight.	Way freight.
Eight wheel simple	$3.80	$3.80	$4.00
Atlantic compounds	4.00	4.00	4.20
Ten wheel simple, B 1 and B 2	4.30	4.40	4.40

FIREMEN.

Eight wheel simple	$2.30	$2.30	$2.45
Ten wheel simple, B 1 and B 2	2.60	2.60	2.70
Atlantic compounds	2.40	2.40	2.55
Atlantic comp'ds, B 3 and B 4	2.75	2.75	2.85

How New Rate Applies.

On switch engines on the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, Minneapolis, Savanna, Kansas City, and Council Bluffs divisions, engineers will get $3.15 and firemen $1.95 per day. In other yards engineers will receive $3 and firemen $1.90.

The old rate for engineers was from $3.70 to $4 and for firemen from $2.20 to $2.60 on the long runs. On switch engines the engineers formerly were paid from $2.50 to $2.90 and the firemen from $1.75 to $1.80 per day of ten hours.

One of the greatest concessions granted was the abolition of the "short day rate" on divisions of less than ninety miles, by which they were paid only for the ground covered by their trains. A run of 100 miles or less for a day of ten hours or less is to be considered a full day's work and the wages are to be $3.80 a day where the old limit was $3.50.

The firemen are to be relieved of all cleaning on "pooled" engines, which is the term for engines which have regular crews. They will not be required to clean freight engines ahead of the cab or blacken the cast parts. This has been the bane of the fireman's work in the past since the mogul engines and long trains lengthened the hours of work.

First year engineers are to receive full rate in yard service and 80 per cent of the full rate in road service.

Other Roads May Follow.

The advance is the second that has been granted to engineers and firemen on roads entering Chicago in the last month. The first was to the Northwestern men. Tomorrow the engineers and firemen on the Chicago and Alton will meet to treat with the managers, and the engineers from the Rock Island road have been busy for several weeks.

With two Chicago roads pledged to the advance, it is believed that all the other roads will take the same step before the end of the winter. The move has been a concerted one in all of the brotherhoods, having been voted on everywhere before being taken up with the officials of the companies.

BLIND TO SEE FOR CHRISTMAS.

Manuel A. Defreitas of Springfield Has Sight Restored by an Operation.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Christmas day will bring signal joy to the household of Emanuel A. Defreitas of this city. For the last year and a half the aged man has been totally blind, and his present will be the complete restoration of his eyesight. A cataract which had grown over both eyes, totally obscuring the vision, was today removed, and the operation promises to be entirely successful. Defreitas and his wife have long been residents of Springfield, and the latter at one time was employed in the household of Abraham Lincoln.

FIRST CHRISTMAS PRESENTS OF CHICAGO RESIDENTS RANGE FROM A SOUND SPANKING TO A BOTTLE OF MILK.

MAYOR HARRISON	pair of skates	CLAYTON MARK	sugar cakes
A. S. TRUDE	a spanking	JOHN FARSON	pair of skates
E. G. KEITH	a book of nursery rhymes	MILTON J. FOREMAN	a bottle of milk
JUDGE THEODORE BRENTANO	a fur cap	GEORGE W. COBB	a rocking horse
JAMES H. ECKELS	a pair of skates	GEORGE BIRKHOFF	a Holland Christmas basket
CHARLES M. WALKER	a rocking horse	HARVEY B. HURD	an orange
JOHN M. HARLAN	forgotten	EDMUND J. JAMES	a primer

FOUR KILLED ON TRACKS.

ONE, A WOMAN, WAS TAKING HOME CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Hurrying Home, Laden with Bundles and Blinded by Swirling Snow, She Steps in Front of Locomotive at Twenty - fourth and Rockwell Streets—Engineer Is Grief Stricken and Cannot Continue at Work—Other Victims Are Cut Down.

Four persons killed on the railway tracks is the Christmas eve record of Chicago for 1902. One particularly was a Christmas tragedy, for the victim, a woman, was hurrying homeward, her arms filled with Christmas packages, when struck and killed. The other victims were railway employés.

The woman, whose name the police could not learn, was hurrying homeward at Twenty-fourth and Rockwell streets when the gates were lowered because of an approaching train. She did not stop, but stooped under the gate, and, blinded by the snow, stepped directly in front of a Chicago, Burlington and Quincy engine. She was under the wheels before Engineer Corvelle had fully reversed his lever.

The Christmas gifts were found tightly clasped in her arms when she was dragged from beneath the engine. The engineer was unnerved and grief stricken over the accident, and the run was completed by his fireman.

"It will be a sad Christmas for two families," he said, as he stood beside the body. "I feel as though it were my own mother whose death I had unintentionally caused."

The woman was about 55 years old and well dressed. She wore a fur cape, a black dress, and a widow's mourning bonnet and veil. In her purse $4.85 was found. The parcels in her arms comprised fur slippers, table ware, and toys which had been purchased at downtown department stores.

Wilhelm Lenz and Adolph Schimke, section hands on the Chicago and Northwestern railway, were working on the track at Rockwell street in the afternoon. Schimke saw a train approaching and called to his companion. Both men stepped on a side track in front of an advancing switch engine. Both were struck, the engine passing over Schimke, killing him instantly. Lenz was thrown beside the track and injured so seriously he died soon after at the company's hospital.

G. S. Taylor, a switchman living at Clyde, was working in the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy yards at Twelfth street when killed. He, too, stepped in front of a switch engine.

BIG GIFT FOR TRUST PRESIDENT

L. V. F. Randolph of Atlantic Company Voted $30,000 by Directors—Presents to Others.

New York, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—One of the largest Christmas presents received by any one in Wall street came to L. V. F. Randolph, who retires from the presidency of the Atlantic Trust company. The trustees of the company, it became known today, had voted Mr. Randolph a handsome sum "in recognition of his business acumen." It was reported in Wall street that the amount was $30,000.

It was reported today that the trustees of the Central Trust company had repeated their gift of last year of 100 per cent of the yearly salaries to the company's employés. The Chase National bank gave to each of its clerks $75 in cash. There were some of the large banks, however, that followed their rule of previous years of giving nothing.

About 1,500 clerks employed in the Grand Central station will receive as Christmas presents announcements that dating from Dec. 1 their salaries are increased from 6 to 7 per cent, the gross amount added to the pay roll being about $100,000.

Motormen and conductors of the trolley lines in Brooklyn received today many extra nickels and dimes from passengers who evidently had read of the Philadelphia way of remembering the trolley folks. One conductor of the Fulton street line at the end of his day's work counted about $12 which he divided with the motorman. The conductors got not only nickels and dimes but cigars by the wholesale.

Do you remember your first Christmas present—you who are now middle aged and have just completed a distribution of gifts such as you used to receive? Can you think way back and recall the first present that found its way to your stocking, or is it just a jumble of Noah's arks, skates, red topped boots, and toy drums?

Just settle back in your new smoking jacket, light one of your Christmas cigars, and let your mind revert to a long ago night when you could not sleep the night before for wondering what it was going to be. You slipped out of bed about 3 o'clock in the morning, perhaps, and ran downstairs with bare feet. And there it was. Do you remember what?

Most men do remember. If it is not the first present they remember, it is one close to the first which made the impression never lost.

Some of these presents were:

MAYOR HARRISON—I can't say that it was the first, but the one which shines down the years with a glory never to be forgotten was a pair of skates. There may have been others before that, but these skates were the ones always to be remembered. I can recall that we got out in the afternoon to skate over the prairies. In those days you could skate from our house to Riverside. That day we tried it, but ran in with some older boys who admired our skates as much as we did. It was nip and tuck for us to get back to the house in time to save our property. I can remember those skates well.

A. S. TRUDE—It was a licking. I don't remember it, but it has been a family tradition—and I accept family history—that it was my first Christmas gift. I had made an unlawful appropriation on some jam. In fact, I was caught red handed raiding the jar. The jam was to have been used as a coating for cake, and I partook thereof. They say the licking was a good one—the authorities who vouch for this bit of domestic history. My parents were not opulent at that period in my career, and it is recorded that the licking was the only present I received. In after years there were other presents, but the licking was the first.

E. G. KEITH, president Chicago Title and Trust company—A book of nursery rhymes was the first present I can remember. It was one of the alphabet books. In New England in those days Christmas was not celebrated in the fashion it now is. The children usually hung up their stockings on Christmas eve and got their presents in them the next morning. I remember that this book was in my stocking. There was a potato down in the toe of my stocking. Then came the book and on top of that was some candy.

JUDGE THEODORE BRENTANO—I believe I do remember my first present. It was a fur cap. That was back about 1860 here in Chicago. I can remember it because I was blindfolded before it was put on. They told me I was not to see what the present was, but I can remember that I felt it and knew what it was before they took the bandage off my eyes.

JAMES H. ECKELS, president Commercial National bank—A pair of rocker skates is the first present I can remember. That was when I was 9 years old, and we were living at Princeton, Ill. I can remember them because I got up at 3 o'clock in the morning and ran downstairs to get them. It was just such a Christmas as we are to have this year—pretty cold weather.

CHARLES M. WALKER, corporation counsel—My first Christmas present came when I was a boy in Kentucky, and I can remember it well. Kentucky being a horse country my present was purchased accordingly. It was a rocker horse. They call them hobby horses now, but then we called them rocker horses. And I can remember that there was not a horse in Kentucky that was worked the way that rocker horse of mine was.

JOHN MAYNARD HARLAN—I am afraid it's all a jumble. I can't remember whether it was a pair of top boots, a Noah's ark, a tool chest, a pair of skates, or what it was. I fear I am lost on that.

CLAYTON MARK, president of the board of education—My first present consisted of some cakes cut in animal shapes. I can remember that one was a horse and another a bird. They were covered with white frosting and sprinkled with some different colored sugar beads or something of the sort.

JOHN FARSON, Farson, Leach & Co.—The first present which I can remember distinctly was a pair of wooden skates, considerably different from the kind now used. I remember that the wooden part was painted red. That was when I was 6 or 7 years old. I have been skating ever since.

ALD. MILTON J. FOREMAN—I'll have to take family traditions. The domestic authorities say it was a bottle of milk.

GEORGE W. COBB—The first Christmas present I remember of receiving was that of a big rocking horse with a long, bushy tail and a skin like that of a horse. It was placed by my bed, and I remember when I woke up how frightened I was at first at the sight of what I thought to be a big animal. I discovered my mistake quickly, however, and I remember my intense delight.

GEORGE BIRKHOFF JR.—I was in Holland when a youngster, and St. Nicholas day, the 5th of December, is observed there as Christmas here in the giving of presents. I have a distinct recollection of putting oats in a basket and placing it in a chimney, as was the custom the night before, to feed St. Nicholas' reindeer steeds. This basket was sure to be well filled with presents the next morning.

EX-JUDGE HARVEY B. HURD—My first Christmas present was an orange—the first one I ever saw and the best one. When a boy I lived in Connecticut, not far from Long Island sound. My parents were poor, and we did not even have a stove, although a fireplace kept us amply warm. When I was 7 years old we children hung up our stockings, and the next morning I pulled out an orange, which convinced me that Santa Claus was a reality, because I had pictured oranges as growing only in fairyland.

EDMUND J. JAMES, president of Northwestern university—My first present was one of those primers made up of alphabetical rhymes and the first book to which I ever applied myself. At the same time it was about the most welcome present I ever received. I committed the book's contents to memory and remember some of it yet. The first verse was: "A stands for apple, with cheeks so red." B stood for boy, C for cat, etc.

RACE MEN ARE BLOWN UP.

FIFTY INJURED IN HOT SPRINGS POOLROOM EXPLOSION.

Tank of Gasoline Lets Go in Turf Exchange While Crowd Listens to Result at New Orleans—Ten May Die and Sixteen Are Seriously Hurt—Chicagoans Among Victims—Wild Panic as the Walls of the Structure Collapse.

Hot Springs, Ark., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—While 200 men and boys crowded around the blackboard in the Turf Exchange this afternoon, excited and pushing closer to hear the operator calling the fourth race at New Orleans, a huge tank of gasoline exploded in the basement, wrecking the building, and hurling men in every direction. The upper floor and part of the walls crashed down upon the struggling mass of maimed men and fire added to the horror.

Fifty men were left mutilated and screaming or unconscious on the floor while the others, panic stricken, fought to escape from the place. In two minutes the street was crowded and volunteers aided the police and firemen in putting out the fire and dragging out the injured.

Over fifty were badly hurt, sixteen dangerously. Three are expected to die at any moment and the doctors have abandoned hope of saving seven others.

Seriously Injured.

Burch, J. C., Chicago; leg broken; not expected to live.
Carson, C. C., city, both legs broken.
Chambers, R. C., city, both arms and one leg broken and several ribs fractured.
Cowan, James, city, both legs broken.
Cranfield, F., Cincinnati, legs bruised and three ribs broken.
Crawford, J., Cincinnati, leg and wrist broken.
Daly Eugene, city, both legs broken and badly bruised about the body.
Donnelly, E. M., Chicago; forearm and knee broken; will die.
George, H., of New York, leg broken.
Helwig, Billy, blind, city, both legs broken; will die.
McInerney, W. S., Chicago, will die.
Nye, ——, Chicago, left leg broken.
Ogier, Tom, engineer at the Arlington, both legs broken, internally injured; will die.
Pace, Charles, proprietor of the Palace hotel, city, both legs broken, internal injuries.
Parker, C. G., Milwaukee, Wis., both legs broken.
Vivell, Ed, cashier turf exchange, cut and bruised.

Bank Roll of $55,000 Blown Up.

The money in the bank roll amounted to $55,000 and was blown up in the explosion, and $9,000 of it was not found.

The explosion was caused from 88° fireproof gasoline being pumped into a lighting apparatus from which there was leakage. The gasoline was on the floor in an adjoining room and some one entering from the poolroom with a lighted cigar caused the explosion.

The clubhouse was operated by Chambers & Walker, while the poolroom was in charge of Sam Mayer for Leo Mayer and Eddie Burke of New York.

The explosion came at 4 o'clock, just as the race in New Orleans was being called. The floor seemed to rise and in an instant the explosion shook the entire block. The upper floor and back walls of the building fell on the mass of struggling men.

The building looked as if a tornado had blown through it. The front glass windows were broken and both sides of the structure were shattered.

Crowds Rush to Scene.

The news of the catastrophe spread rapidly and soon Central avenue was jammed with people.

Men were pulled from under the débris maimed and unrecognizable. "Billy" Helwig, the blind manager of the Lamar bathhouse, was taken from the ruins.

Every physician in the city responded to the call for help and rendered aid to the injured, who were spread about on the walks, in offices, and storerooms, and the sanitariums were almost filled.

Ben Murray, who handled the gasoline, was blown against the wall and injured severely internally. He was kept under surveillance by the officers at the relief hospital and will be made to answer for criminal carelessness.

R. C. Chambers, one of the proprietors of the Turf exchange, is also a lessee of the Fort Erie (Ont.) racetrack, and is one of the best known sporting men in the country. His condition is serious.

TWO CHRISTMAS EVE FIRES IN DOWNTOWN DISTRICT.

Crowd Sees Blaze in Dearborn Street and Later the "Busiest Corner" Sends In an Alarm to Musham.

Two downtown fires, one of them on Chicago's "busiest corner," threatened to do serious damage last night, but were brought under control by prompt work of the firemen. The first blaze, at Jackson boulevard and Dearborn street, attracted several hundred people and was watched by others from windows of the Great Northern hotel. The fire was in the saloon of Benjamin Barnett, former south town assessor, and did a damage of $1,000.

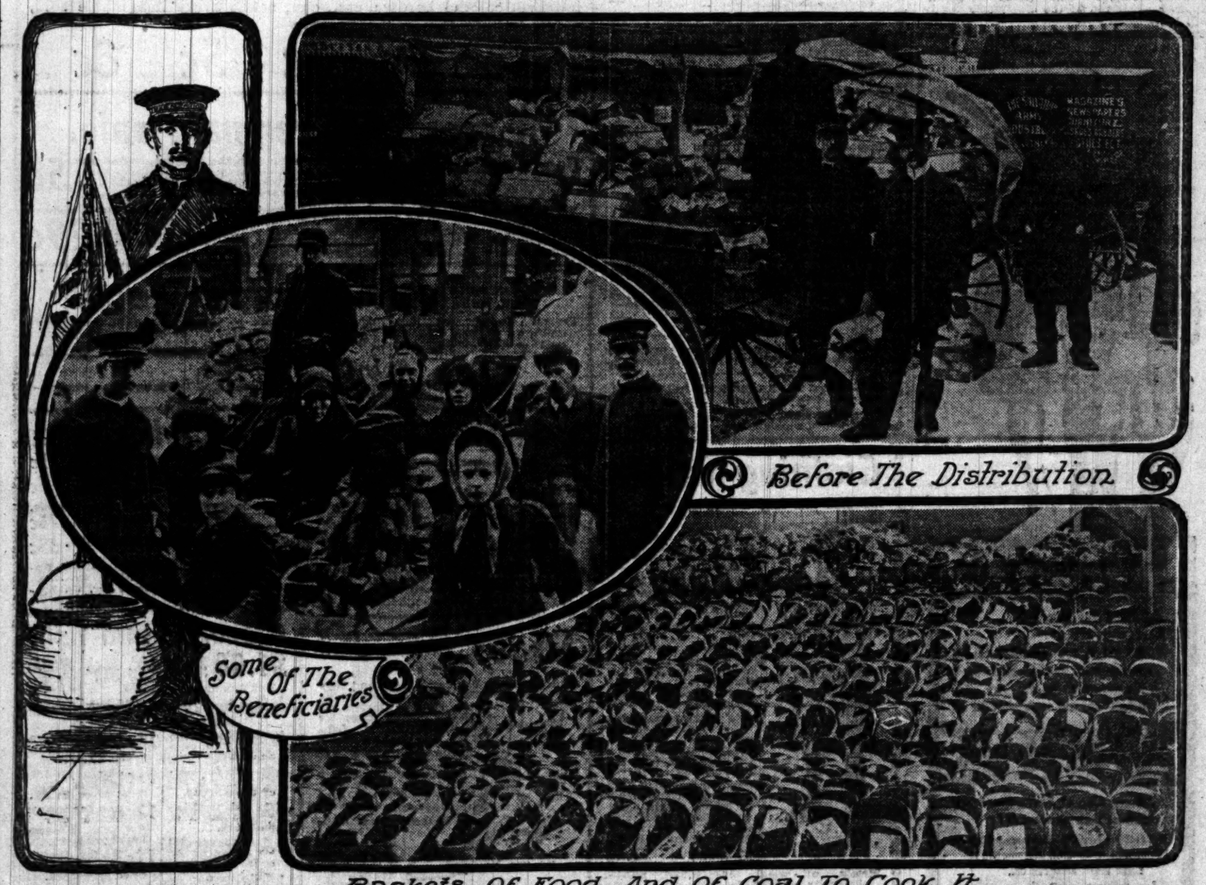
The second fire, which was in the drug store of Buck & Rayner, State and Madison streets, started in the basement, where the heating plant is in operation. It quickly communicated with the Madison street show window and was blazing brilliantly when the firemen arrived. The damage was estimated at $3,000.

A fire which started in a barn at 53 Newberry avenue spread to a three story brick and frame flat building at 55 Newberry avenue and did damage estimated at $4,000. Christmas trees in two of the flats were destroyed by the firemen in fighting the flames.

The new reflecting telescope of the Yerkes observatory at Williams Bay was threatened with destruction by a fire which started in the observatory and caused a loss of $10,000 on Monday night. The blaze started in a room where the photographic work is done and was spreading rapidly when discovered. The big telescope escaped injury, however. The origin of the fire is not known.

SALVATION ARMY GIVES FOOD AND FUEL AS CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS TO THE WORTHY POOR.

[From photographs taken for THE TRIBUNE.]



Baskets Of Food And Of Coal To Cook It.

The poor were almost the first to find their stockings filled yesterday. The Salvation army held its annual distribution of Christmas dinners to those in distress, the distribution being made from the Princess rink. When the doors were opened at 10 a. m. 2,000 persons were waiting for admission. Each case of want had been investigated by agents of the army and tickets issued to the worthy. The commissary staff sat on the stage of the rink, surrounded by hundreds of baskets filled with provisions and coal, and for two hours the holders of the tickets passed in single file to the stage, where each person was given supplies for a big family dinner. Those who were in need of fuel were given a basket of coal also.

Waltham Watches.

"I' th' very nick of time."

"The Perfected American Watch," an illustrated book of interesting information about watches, will be sent free upon request.

American Waltham Watch Company,
Waltham, Mass.

AMERICAN CASH FOR GAS IN PARIS

Company Headed by C. K. G. Billings Is Offered Thirty-five Year Franchise.

CAPITAL IS $30,000,000.

Modern Appliances to Displace the Use of Charcoal in the French Capital.

American investors, headed by C. K. G. Billings, will revolutionize the methods of manufacture and use of gas in Paris. They are prepared for an investment of $30,000,000, and it is understood they have been offered a thirty-five year franchise.

Charcoal is the basis of the cooking and heating systems in vogue in the French capital, and it is chiefly to contest that branch of the business that the Americans have decided to carry their enterprise across the Atlantic.

It is in the introduction of gas stoves and ranges, to displace the charcoal stoves, or braziers, that the company expects to reap its largest profit. It does not contemplate making any great amount of money on the sale of gas for illuminating purposes. The present price of the fluid in Paris is $1.75 a thousand, and this figure will be reduced by the new company.

Cheap and efficient methods of manufacture which have been used in Chicago will be installed in France, and the great oil fields recently opened in Poland, Siberia, and northern France will be utilized.

Outlines Plan of Invasion.

A. S. Trude, attorney for the People's Gas-light and Coke company, last night gave an outline of this new European invasion.

"There is a great difference between the gas manufactured in France and that manufactured here," said Mr. Trude, "both in its cost of production and in its quality. We can manufacture gas here, by the methods of which Mr. Billings is the best representative in the United States, far cheaper than they can in Europe. Besides this, we get much better gas. It gives much better light and is superior in every way.

"M. Michaud, chief of the bureau of lighting in Paris, and other French citizens recognized these facts, and they came to see Mr. Billings about it, with the result that Americans are going to be interested in the gas business in Europe. They will introduce our methods, establish plants to take the place of the old ones, and will build new ones in Paris and in such cities as may seem feasible.

"This venture has been undertaken by Americans simply as an investment. They intend to put cash into everything they buy, and they have money to invest.

Mr. Billings Going to Paris.

"Men interested in civic affairs and moneyed men of Paris are the pioneers of the movement. They came into contact with the one man who more than all others has to do with the patents and modern methods for making gas in the United States—Mr. Billings. Anthony N. Brady of New York and Mr. Billings will go to Paris the first of the year to meet these Parisian capitalists to talk over the gas interests of that metropolis.

"If negotiations work out harmoniously mutual investments will be made in the interests of both French and American capital, and American methods will be adopted. Mr. Billings is especially needed in Paris in this matter, as he is the leading gas man of the nation and is an authority on the manufacture of gas."

Plenty of Capital Available.

Attorney Trude will not give the names of the men, besides Mr. Billings and Mr. Brady, who will invest money in European gas, but he intimated that plenty of money would be at hand if the plan materialized.

"These men have the means to carry this project through," said Mr. Trude, "and they are not going to Europe with any hot air chambers attached to their ship."

The cheapness of oil in Europe has appealed to American investors. By using American methods they can make gas at a figure far below the cost of gas here. Attorney Trude said that oil could be had in St. Petersburg at 34 per cent of what it costs in the United States.

Oil Cheap in Europe.

"Oil is cheap in Europe," continued Mr. Trude, "because it does not take much money to get it. There are great oil fields in Siberia, Poland, and France. The Siberian oil fields are specially rich, and a new railroad has just been completed to transport this oil to Russia.

"Another object of the Americans in entering the gas business in Europe is to introduce modern machinery for refining and modern methods of using the oil after it is refined. These oil fields offer great opportunities."

LAURA BIGGAR ACQUITTED, TWO MEN ARE CONVICTED.

Actress Declared Not Guilty of Conspiracy—Physician and Man Who Signed Marriage Certificate Held Liable.

Freehold, N. J., Dec. 24.—Laura Biggar was acquitted and Dr. Charles C. Hendricks and Samuel Stanton, formerly justice of the peace, were found guilty by the jury today in the case against the three defendants on the charge of having conspired to get possession of the entire estate of Henry M. Bennett, a capitalist of Pittsburg, Pa.

The jury remained out all night and today asked the court if it might convict two of the defendants and acquit one. The court said such a verdict would be legal, and later in the day the verdict as stated was returned.

Miss Biggar laid claim to the entire estate of Bennett, who died recently leaving a large fortune, as his wife and as the heir of a child of Bennett which she said was born to her after his death and soon died.

Dr. Hendricks was her physician and the proprietor of a sanitarium in which the child was said to have been born. Stanton said he had united Miss Biggar and Bennett in marriage, and a marriage certificate signed by him played an important part in the case.

FIGHT ON GUATEMALA CONSUL.

Report in Louisville That United States Representative Has Been Asked to Leave.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 24.—A Louisville man today received a telegram from New Orleans saying that President Cabrera of Guatemala had notified United States Consul General McNally to leave the country and that he is persona non grata to the Guatemalan government for several reasons, one of which is that some venturesome Americans who recently were involved in an unsuccessful attempt to start a revolution have been making their headquarters at the American consulate since their failure. Another reason is that Consul McNally is unpopular with the American colony.

Roosevelt to Visit Denver.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 24.—D. B. Fairley, chairman of the republican state committee, was advised by telegraph today that President Roosevelt will visit Denver about the middle of March. From Denver, it is said, he will go to New Mexico and Oklahoma.

PERSONALLY CONDUCTED EXCURSIONS.

To California and Oregon.

Daily and personally conducted excursions via Chicago and Northwestern railway in Pullman tourist sleeping cars in charge of experienced conductors, Chicago to Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Portland. Choice of routes. Only $6 for double berth. Write S. A. Hutchison, 212 Clark street.

THE DAY OF THE LITTLE HEART—NO. 4.

Dolls and trinkets and books and toys—
All the spirit of glee impart.
'Tis the season of childish joys—
This, the Day of the Little Heart!

CULLOM FOR RATE POOLS.

SENATOR FAVORS LESS RIGID FREIGHT RULES.

Plans Amendment to Interstate Commerce Law Which Will Recognize Limited Discrimination—Says Cutting Cannot Be Stopped — Believes People Are Educated Up to Point Where They Recognize Failure of Hard and Fast Regulations.

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are disposed to charge higher rates than are justifiable."

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"As to whether the pooling of rates by the railroads would be a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law," said Senator Cullom, "that is a point which will require much thought. The railroad companies contend their business is unlike any other, and should be treated as separate and distinct from other lines of business. Upon the surface it appears that authority to pool would be a violation of the anti-trust law. Of course, congress has authority, within the limits of the constitution, to do anything it sees fit, and where there is a conflict of laws on the statute books the last one placed there governs.

"I should say that congress has authority to grant the railroads permission to pool. This does not mean necessarily that it would have to repeal the anti-trust law, and this will not be done. We may find a way, however, to permit the railroads to pool, and unless I am greatly mistaken the people and press of the country are not nearly so bitterly opposed to this proposition as they were a few years ago. In fact, I am of the opinion that there is a decided sentiment in favor of it."

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For a long time Stilson Hutchins, retired newspaper proprietor and now an active capitalist, and Charles C. Munn of Washington, whose wife was a Mrs. Armour of Chicago, have been engaged in a lively warfare over a strip of ground between their residences on Massachusetts avenue, near Scott circle, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets. A year ago Mr. Munn commenced to build an extension to his house on the side adjoining Mr. Hutchins, and which the latter claimed would shut out the air and light from the east side of his house. He thereupon secured an injunction from the court restraining the building operations.

Mr. Munn, who was in Europe with his family, hastened home and had the restraining order revoked, returning to Europe for the winter. For the last two months the construction of the new third story addition that is so objectionable to his neighbor has been going on.

Now it is reported that Mr. Hutchins determined to get even with Mr. Munn, has decided to rent his residence to an orphan asylum for colored children. The two residences are in the best neighborhood. Mr. Munn's house is the one that was erected by the late Secretary of the Treasury William Windom of Minnesota when he was a senator. The house was one of the causes of his defeat for reelection, photographs having been circulated throughout the state during the campaign as evidence of the change that Mr. Windom had deserted Minnesota for Washington and that he had become rich since entering public life.

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All of the president's children are at the White house, and at the first peep of day there will be more uproar and Christmas greetings than have been heard there since the days when the Tyler boys filled the house with their friends. There will be no Christmas tree at the White house. All the stockings will be hung in the library, and the larger gifts will be arranged about the room on tables.

Christmas day will be devoted by President and Mrs. Roosevelt exclusively to their family, and they will go to the home of Capt. and Mrs. Cowles, the latter a sister to the president, for a family luncheon. If the day proves good the president will go for a cross country ride. Mrs. Roosevelt will accompany him.

Christmas dinner will be served in the state dining room, which has been decorated with Christmas greens, holly, and red berries, giving a brilliant touch of color to the oaken walls, and tall vases filled with holly are on the high mantel. The President and Mrs. Roosevelt will have as their guests Senator and Mrs. Lodge, John Lodge, Commander and Mrs. Cowles, John Elliott of New York, Mrs. Charles Henry Davis and Miss Davis, and the Messrs. Davis.

All the president's children will be present at the table with the exception of Quentin, the baby, who will remain only long enough to be shown the table. It was expected a large party of the president's young relatives would fill the White house for Christmas day, but their visit is deferred until later.

The one Christmas house guest at the White house is Robert Ferguson, one of the president's rough rider friends. Each servant connected with the domestic part of the executive mansion was remembered with gifts, and each employé was presented with a fine turkey.

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Mrs. Roosevelt's most prized gift tomorrow will be that presented by the women of the cabinet. The greatest possible secrecy has been observed in guarding the purchase of the gift, and will be a perfect surprise to her. They have ready to be presented in the morning a gold purse of superb workmanship, set with diamonds and sapphires. It is inscribed on the outside, "Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt," and on the inside, "From the ladies of the cabinet, Dec. 25, 1902." The purse is the thing above all others which Mrs. Roosevelt wanted most. This fact was revealed by the admiration she showed for a purse carried by a friend.

Mrs. Hay selected the gift, and had a beautiful white box made especially for it. Just what Mrs. Roosevelt has selected for the women of the cabinet will not be known until tomorrow, but for each she has chosen a beautiful gift. Young Philander Knox selected most of his gifts for the president's children while in Pittsburg a few days ago, feeling that they would be more of a surprise than if they were bought in Washington.

President Roosevelt has shown as much interest in the coming Christmas as any of his children, and has personally supervised the purchase of their presents.

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Members of the cabinet will spend tomorrow quietly, most of them only having family parties. Secretary and Mrs. Hay have with them their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Wadsworth, who with a few intimate family friends will be their only guests. Secretary Root and family are in mourning and will spend the day in retirement. Secretary and Mrs. Shaw have a lively household, their three children being with them.

Attorney General and Mrs. Knox will spend most of their Christmas day in admiring the gifts presented to their younger son, Philander, who has a huge Christmas tree in the ground floor sitting room under the library, where he is to keep open house all the week. Postmaster General and Mrs. Payne have a family party consisting of the postmaster general's sister and niece, who are their guests for the winter. A few other guests will join them at dinner, but the day for them will be a quiet one.

Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Hitchcock will have a quiet family party, increased by a few close friends. Secretary of Agriculture and Miss Wilson have a hearty holiday time cheer. They will have with them a number of young people, most of them students from the west.

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Most of the diplomats of Washington, no matter from where they come in the world, soon fall into the American way of making merry, and this year there seems to be the best of good cheer planned for the day. Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, will have a Christmas tree in the afternoon, followed by a dinner to his staff and a few others at night.

The British ambassador and Lady Herbert will entertain their diplomatic family at dinner, the most prominent thing on the menu being an English plum pudding served in the midst of a flaming sauce. The Italian ambassador will entertain his diplomatic family, a few other guests from the bachelor fraternity of the corps being invited.

The Austrian minister and Baroness Hengelmuller will have a Christmas tree for their little daughter, and the day will be given over to her. The largest Christmas party entertained is that of the Peruvian minister and Mme. Calderon, who have with them a party of eleven students, natives of their own land, who are studying in this country. The Argentine minister and Señora Merou have arranged for a large Christmas tree tomorrow, at which all of the Latin-American children of the diplomatic family will be present.

SUNNY BROOK WHISKY

A Kentucky Christmas

50 years ago meant rare old Sunny Brook and "good cheer." This is true today. The distillers' reputation is at stake on

every drop of Sunny Brook that leaves their warehouses.

Not Artificially Aged, Flavored, or Colored by deleterious chemical processes.

SUNNY BROOK DISTILLER CO., Jefferson County, Ky.

After Christmas clearing sale

An unusual one-day bargain event Friday at prices to effect positive clearance on

Jewelry, silverware, watches, toys, dolls, books, albums, handkerchiefs, gloves, fancy goods, umbrellas, china and glassware, ribbons, aprons, toilet articles, perfumes, lamps, etc., all reduced to 1/4, 1/3, 1/2 the usual prices

Best quality lining cambrics, not remnants. From 9 to 10 a. m., yard..... 1c

Ladies' and men's mismated hose, 8:30 a.m. pr., 1c

BOSTON STORE STATE AND MADISON STS.

Unbleached canton flannel, 2,000 yds. of the 6c quality, yd..... 2c

Coat's best 6-cord spool cotton, per spool, 3c

L. Heilprin & Co.'s high-grade garments at the Boston Store's low prices.

An invincible combination, one that's attracting the stylish, up-to-date woman and the economical woman—a sale that's surpassing itself in bargain-giving offering, the justly celebrated *Heilprin man-tailored ladies'*

Monte Carlo coats, 45-in. coats, English box coats, 27-in. semi-fitting coats, blouse jackets, plush and cloth capes, suits and children's cloaks

At 25c on the dollar.

Of such magnitude are the values that the sale, although it commenced in the rush of the holiday buying, is the most successful we've ever held. Close to half the stock is already gone, but there are still close to *6,000 garments* to choose from, each and every one *full of style, beauty and economy*, made up for this season's trade, with the utmost care in making and cutting, perfect fit being characteristic of everything that comes from the Heilprin factories. These few items are suggestive of the values that abound on every side in this great cloak room.

Heilprin's $5 ladies' winter coats	$1.98
Heilprin's $6.50 ladies' 27-inch kersey coats	$2.49
Heilprin's $7.50 27 and 45 inch kersey coats, all colors	$4.98
Heilprin's $10 Monte Carlo coats and English jackets	$6.75
Heilprin's $12.50 long and short coats, all colors	$7.50
Heilprin's $15 short hip and 27-inch loose black coats	$8.75
Heilprin's $20 Monte Carlo coats and three-quarter length coats	$10.00
Heilprin's $22.00 Monte Carlo coats, beautifully embroidered, all colors,	$10.98
Heilprin's $7.50 beaver cloth capes, 30 inches long	$2.98
Heilprin's $10 kersey capes, castor, black and tan	$4.98
Heilprin's $17.50 astrachan imported cheviot capes, black only	$9.98
Heilprin's $4.75 astrachan capes, 30 inches long	$1.98

Heilprin's ladies' tailor made suits are by far the finest and most carefully made garments in this country

$4.98 for Heilprin's $8.75 suits. $8.98 for Heilprin's $15.00 suits.

$6.75 for Heilprin's $10.00 suits, $10.00 for Heilprin's $18.00 suits.

Heilprin's high grade velour blouse and Monte Carlo coats, richly lined in white and colored satins, all sizes. Heilprin's wholesale prices $20.00, $25.00, $30.00 and up to $65.00 — all marked at much less than half their value.

1,000 ladies' tan and castor kersey jackets, 27 inches long, beautifully trimmed with bias straps of same material, stitched with rows of silk tailored stitching, storm or coat collar; full range of sizes; lined with best guaranteed satin lining; Heilprin's wholesale prices $15, $18 and $20—choice at..... $4.98

Ladies' flannelette waists, 1,000 dozen, special for this sale; all sizes; full fronts, stock collar, bishop sleeves, fully worth 75c, Friday..... 39c

Ladies' flannelette and flannel waists, all the latest shades, trimmed with velvet buttons and straps of velvet, same with waist linings, all sizes to 44, actual $1.75 values, choice at..... 69c

Rogers' A1 silverware

At unheard of low prices, each piece stamped J. Rogers & Co., A1. The maker's guarantee.

J. Rogers' A1 teaspoons, set of six	39c
J. Rogers' A1 tablespoons and forks, set of six	78c
J. Rogers' A1 fancy pattern butter knives and sugar shells, choice, each	15c
J. Rogers' A1 fancy pattern large cold meat forks, in silk lined case	39c
J. Rogers' A1 fancy pattern gravy ladles, in silk lined case	39c
J. Rogers' A1 fancy pattern soup ladles, in silk lined case	95c

Dress linings.

Clearing of all odd lots and broken lines regardless of cost or value.

15,000 yds. linings, mill ends and off the piece, including all sorts and qualities—values to 35c—choice, yard, 9c and	5c
36-in. crinoline, the usual 10c kind, Friday, yard	2c
Yard wide black taffeta percaline, real value 10c, tomorrow, yard	4c
Imported black linen crinoline, shrunk ready for use—special—yard	10c
36-in. fancy mercerized sateen skirting, worth fully 20c, Friday, yd.	12½c

China, glassware

for New Year's.

Imported Bohemian glass lemonade or beer sets, richly gold decorated, fancy shape pitcher, 6 tumblers to match, complete with silverine tray—cheap at $1.50..... 69c

Bohemian glass decorated wine and liquor sets, decanter and six glasses to match, complete with tray—set..... 98c

Carlsbad china celery trays, beautiful French decorations and tintings, gold lined on edges—75c ordinarily—tomorrow..... 35c

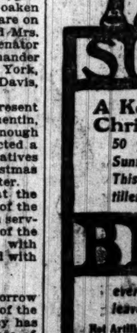
Crystal glass syrup jugs, imitation cut, patent glass lip, hinged nickel cover—good 25c value, at..... 7c

Bell shape table tumblers, full size, value 75c dozen—each..... 3c

Thin flint blown whiskey glasses, and footed wine glasses, choice..... 2c

Clothing values

that save you fully a third on every purchase.



Men's gray and tan winter overcoats, that should sell for $5.00, Friday..... $2.98

Men's business suits, very durable, made of medium and heavy weight tweeds and cassimeres, worth all of $5.00, Friday..... $2.98

Men's overcoats, made of gray cheviots and blue kersey, sell ordinarily at $8.50, tomorrow..... $4.98

Boys' Oxford gray long cut overcoats, cuff sleeves and velvet collars, strong, serviceable lining, the usual $4 sort, Friday..... $1.98

Boys' Norfolk and double-breasted suits, made of heavy weight cassimeres and tweeds, sizes 4 to 18, should retail for $2.50 and $3.00, tomorrow..... $1.48

Men's all-wool cassimere pants, ordinarily retailed for $2.00, tomorrow..... 98c

Boys' all-wool knee pants, the 49c kind, one pair to a customer, Friday..... 23c

10,000 soiled & rumpled handkerchiefs.

from the immense Christmas sales, the window displays and trims, some slightly soiled, some a little rumpled, many clean and fresh.

Handkerchiefs for men, women and children of all linen and swiss

are in this lot, lace trimmed, embroidered, scalloped, hemstitched, initialed, colored borders, etc., etc., nearly every imaginable sort, values to 29c—choice, Friday, at—

1c 2c 3c 5c 8c

A great silk remnant sale.

Special at 9 A. M.—5,000 yds. of short lengths of silks, satins and velvets, in plain and fancy effects, some slightly damaged, some rumpled from handling, lengths from ¼ to 2 yds., worth up to 50c a yard as long as they last—your choice, yard..... 5c

10,000 yds. of silks and velvets, the short ends from this week's enormous selling. Hundreds of them in all grades of plain and fancy taffetas, peau de soie, swisses, plaids, checks, louisines, china silks, gros grain, faille francaise, etc., in black and colors, all lengths, worth up to $1.00—Friday special, yard..... 29c

Remnants of dress goods

From the Heilprin stock, including all kinds of dress goods and suitings, in every imaginable color, 1 to 6 yard lengths; they must be closed out tomorrow. They're on bargain tables, main floor, and marked at exactly One-third the regular prices.

At less than half price.

19c yard for silk finished henriettas, in all street and light evening shades—Heilprin's wholesale price 27½c.

Blankets

All at sharply reduced prices Friday. 2d floor.

250 bed blankets, heavy fleece lined, large size, each	10c
10-4 and 11-4 all-wool California bed blankets, all colors, some slightly damaged, others slightly soiled, worth up to $13.50, choice, pair, $6.98, $5.98, $4.98, $3.98, $2.98, $3.48 and	$1.79
Heavy bed comforters, well made, good substantial coverings, fancy quilted or knotted with worsted, Friday, $1.29, 98c, 69c, 59c and	48c

Shoes.

The shoe section is notable for its very low prices.

Ladies' black beaver Juliets and lace shoes, with leather soles, warm flannel linings, all sizes, sell everywhere for $1.50—special Friday..... 49c

Ladies' dongola kid shoes, new shapes, coin toes, patent leather or stock tips, every size, the usual $1.50 grade, tomorrow..... 69c

Misses' and children's spring heel shoes, made of dongola kid, heavy soles, patent leather tips, all sizes, others ask $1.00—Friday..... 49c

Ladies' first quality rubbers, for tomorrow only..... 19c

Linens, white goods

58-inch full bleached table damask, usually 25c—Friday, yd	15c
Large size unbleached fringed Turkish towels, well worth 10c—at	6c
6-4 size cardinal, with white border, fringed table cloth, the 50c sort	25c
Large size crochet bed spreads, at 69c, 59c and	35c
Remnants of white goods, India linons, domestics, nainsooks, waistings, curtain swiss, values to 15c, at, yd., 5½c and	3½c

Groceries and fish.

$1.00 for ¼ bbl. sack Washburn-Crosby Gold Medal flour; ¼-bbl. sack	$1.98
48c for 10 lbs. finest granulated sugar.	
4c lb. First Prize N.Y. state pure buckwheat flour.	
45c gal. for Chicago drip fancy table syrup.	
65c gal. for Dixie fancy N. O. molasses.	
23c lb. for special Java & Mocha coffee; 4¼ lbs. $1.	
25c lb. for choice Mocha & Java coffee; 4¼ lbs. $1.	
29c for 10 bars Fairbank's Santa Claus soap.	
10c can for extra sweet E.J. peas; dozen, $1.05.	
11c can for choice Indiana tomatoes; dozen, $1.25.	
12c can for fancy Maine corn, Sweet Blossom brand; doz., $1.40.	
11c lb. for choice fresh halibut or codfish steak.	
5½c lb. for fresh perch or herring.	
10c lb. for fancy fresh whitefish.	

Laces, embroideries.

New venise appliques in cream, white and ecru, a splendid variety, worth up to 50c, Friday, yard, 29c, 19c and	10c
An elegant showing of wash laces, many new and pretty patterns, from 2 to 5 inches wide, special values Friday at, yard, 5c, 3c and	1½c
Manufacturer's sample strips of embroideries, fast edges, perfect goods, worth from 6c to 25c, Friday, yard, 19c, 10c, 8c and	3½c
45-inch black silk point d'esprit netting, our regular 75c quality—tomorrow only, yard	39c

Flannels, waistings.

still further reduced. Second floor.

Remnants all-wool French flannels, in figures and plain colors, values up to 50c, at, yard	12½c
Wool eiderdown flannel, plain colors, worth 25c, Friday, yard	10c
Tennis flannels, in stripes and checks, 8 to 4 p. m., yard	1c

Curtains and rugs.

Extra specials for Friday that thrifty housekeepers will hurry after.

Sample ends and single lace curtains, a little mussed and rumpled, to close Friday, each	10c
Single lace curtains, worth up to $1.50 pair, choice, each	39c
Bobbinet ruffle curtains, 3 yds. long, 40 in. wide, per pair	69c
Drapery material, 50 in. wide, in fancy oriental stripes, Fri. yd., 39c &	29c
Sample ends of tapestry material, worth up to 20c, choice, each	5c
Gray fur rugs, 27x63, good value at $2.00, special	$1.48
Cottage carpeting, 36 in. wide, slightly damaged, Friday, yard	10c
Straw matting, damaged by water, worth to 35c, tomorrow, yd., 10c, 8c &	5c
Room moulding in oak finish, ft	½c
Foot stools, made to sell for 50c, large assortment, choice	29c

Bargain basement.

Heavy fleeced flannelette—in plain colors—yard	3½c
36-inch wide dress and wrapper percale in a grand array of styles and colors, worth 12½c a yard—at	7½c
800 pieces heavy bleached Canton flannel—also dark stripe tennis flannel—yard	3½c
10,000 yards remnants, flannel, flannelettes, calico, gingham, ateen, muslin, etc., worth up to 25c—at, yd., 8c, 5½c and	2½c
36-inch unbleached sheeting—extra heavy—yard	3½c
42x36 in. bleached pillow slips—nice quality—at	4½c
72x90 in. bleached sheets, 29c—81x90 in. fine quality	31c
9-4 bleached and unbleached sheeting, good quality, yd	10½c
Colored cheese cloth, in lengths—yard	½c
Simpson fast black prints, at 4:30 p. m.—yard	1c

MORGAN TENANTS SUE HIM FOR COAL

One of Financier's Christmas Gifts Is Summons to Appear and Pay $250 Bill.

DRUGGIST CAUGHT COLD.

Nate Salsbury, the Man Who Discovered Buffalo Bill, Dies at His Eastern Home.

NEW YORK BUREAU CHICAGO TRIBUNE, New York, Dec. 24.

One of J. Pierpont Morgan's Christmas gifts is a summons to appear in the Seventh district civil court in East Fifty-seventh street on Jan. 2, 1903, to make answer to a civil suit against him for $250 expended for coal by tenants of a flat house owned by Mr. Morgan at 961 and 963 Park avenue. The process server failed in his efforts to see Mr. Morgan today.

Tenant Sues J. P. Morgan for More Heat.

The summons is in the hands of Lawyer Daniel W. Blumenthal, attorney for the tenants, who declares he will serve it in person if necessary to bring Mr. Morgan into court. "My clients are tenants of Mr. Morgan's apartment houses and it is his duty to furnish coal to keep the place habitable," said Mr. Blumenthal this afternoon. "I have advised all the tenants who came to me to purchase coal and sue Mr. Morgan to recover the amounts expended."

The complainant is Dr. Harris Nevelson, a pharmacist, who alleges that owing to the cold rooms he caught a severe cold and has been under the care of a doctor. Mr. Blumenthal says a few days ago a surprise party was to have been given there, but when the guests drove up in their carriages they were told to go away if they did not wish to freeze.

Mr. Nevelson's story of lack of heat was denied by other tenants in the house, backed up by Janitor William Emerson.

The following dispatch was received here today: "Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 24.—The crew of the battleship Iowa wish their relatives and friends a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year. U. S. S. IOWA."

Nate Salsbury, Who Discovered Buffalo Bill, Dead.

Nate Salsbury, who owned the controlling interest in Buffalo Bill's Wild West show, died in his Liberty street home in Long Branch tonight. Mr. Salsbury had been in failing health for some time. He suffered from a stomach trouble, which caused his death. Nate Salsbury was one of the most celebrated showmen of his day. He was the man who "found" William F. Cody and made him known throughout the world as "Buffalo Bill." He was born at Freeport, Ill., the scene of the great Lincoln-Douglas debate, and was 15 years old when the civil war began. Notwithstanding his youth, he enlisted in an Illinois regiment, and served throughout the war. Young Salsbury soon became a favorite in the regiment because he was always ready to sing, tell a story, or do a dance.

It is related that when young Salsbury left the army he had about $20,000 to his credit as a result of his skill at poker; and it is also related that it took him just eighteen months to run through this roll. When he became poor he decided to go on the stage. He was with companies in which were James O'Neill, William H. Crane, Nellie Mellenry, and Billy Florence.

At the end of two years Salsbury put on the road Salsbury's troubadours, which traveled all over the United States and Europe fifteen years with uninterrupted success.

While Mr. Salsbury was at the head of his troubadours he met William F. Cody, and after a talk with him he got up the Wild West show, which has become a prominent feature of American amusements. Two years ago he spent nearly $200,000 in converting from a barren waste the select cottage colony known as the "Reservation," near North Long Branch.

The subtreasury today paid out $250,000 on telegraphic order from San Francisco and transferred $500,000 to New Orleans for local banks. The total of transfers for the day to New Orleans was $550,000.

New Suit to Close Out Salt Company.

A new suit was instituted in the United States court at Trenton, N. J., today to have the National Salt company adjudged a bankrupt. A former suit was dismissed by Judge Kirpatrick because of proceedings instituted in the New Jersey Court of Chancery for the appointment of receivers. The allegation is made in the new suit that in August last, when the officers of the National company, cognizant of the fact that the company was insolvent, transferred property, to the value of $1,022,000, to Milo M. Belding for $450,000, and that Belding was permitted to obtain a judgment for $238,000 for a balance claimed to be due him as a creditor of the concern. It is charged that the claim of Belding was purely "colorable," and in the interest of the International Salt company, with which he was connected.

It is stated that Clarence Mackay is to make the employés of the Postal Telegraph company a valuable gift on New Year's, but the nature of it is not known.

Calve Said to Have Been Jilted by Frenchman.

Definite announcement has been made that Emma Calvé, the prima donna, has had the humiliation of being jilted added to the varied series of experiences that have made up her life. Henri Caih, the French novelist and playwright, to whom Calvé was engaged, has married Mlle. Guiraudon, a soprano of the Opera Comique in Paris and one of Calvé's rivals. Her disappointment is aggravated by the fact that she had personally assured many friends in this city and abroad that she would marry M. Cain. Letters received in New York a few weeks ago, signed by her, brought the announcement that she would become Mme. Cain in a short time, but just when she expected to go to the altar with the author she did not say.

Howard Ellis, a lawyer of this city, a former United States consul in Holland, dropped dead on Broadway today. He had been attending to a law case a few moments before.

Slayer of Banker Fish Gets Stay of Sentence.

Thomas J. Sharkey, the private detective who was convicted of manslaughter in the second degree for having killed Nicholas Fish, the banker, on Sept. 27, was today sentenced to state's prison for ten years. Later Justice Scott, in the Supreme court, granted an order directing the district attorney to show cause on Monday next why a certificate of reasonable doubt should not issue pending an appeal in the case.

Wants to Put Bust of Lincoln in Each School.

Police Commissioner Partridge today rendered his decision in the cases of Inspector Adam Cross, Capt. John D. Herlihy, and Capt. Charles A. Alberston, who were charged with neglect of duty, growing out of the riot at the funeral of the late Rabbi Joseph. The commissioner found the defendants not guilty and dismissed the complaint.

An anonymous admirer of Abraham Lincoln is going to place busts of the great war president in every public school in the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx. The offer was made to the board of education through Commissioner O'Brien and was accepted. Mr. O'Brien would not give the name of the person who is to make the gift. The busts are to be designed by Wilson MacDonald, the sculptor, and are to be as large as the bust of Washington in the meeting room of the board of education. Before being placed in the schools they are to be submitted to three well known artists as experts.

Lewisohn Side of Gambling Case Up in New Form.

Arguments in the habeas corpus and certiorari proceedings in the case of Jesse Lewisohn, charged with contempt of court before Justice Wyatt for refusing to answer a question in the Canfield gambling proceedings, were heard by Justice Scott in the Supreme court today for the second time. Mr. Lauterbach made the argument for the relator.

The parts of the record of the hearing before Magistrate Wyatt, read in court by Mr. Lauterbach, showed that District Attorney Jerome had promised immunity to the relator in case the answers to questions put to him might incriminate him, making him a state's witness.

Mr. Lauterbach contended that the proceeding before Magistrate Wyatt was null because the code provides that all legal proceedings must be open to the public. He also contended that no witness could be compelled to answer a question that might tend to incriminate him or make him liable to a penalty or forfeit.

District Attorney Jerome said that it was admitted that under the decisions of the United States courts the statute of the state was unconstitutional if the federal constitution was involved in this case.

Justice Scott reserved decision.

Jerome Detective Accused of Perjury.

The gamblers today took the aggressive in the war between themselves and District Attorney Jerome. Ex-Gov. Black, who is the attorney for the Burbridge-Farrell-Walbaum combination, whose gambling house in West Thirty-third street was invaded by the Tenderloin police on evidence furnished by Detective Joseph Jacobs of Mr. Jerome's staff, took steps to have the detective arrested on a charge of perjury. The warrant was obtained from Magistrate Brann in the Yorkville court. Jacobs, accompanied by his counsel, John H. Lockwood, went to the Yorkville police court and presented himself before Magistrate Brann.

"I understand there is a warrant for Mr. Jacobs," said Mr. Lockwood. "What is the complaint?"

"Mr. Jacobs is charged with perjury," was the reply.

"Mr. Jacobs then formally surrenders himself," said the lawyer, "but I ask that the examination be set down for Friday."

Magistrate Brann granted Mr. Lockwood's request and fixed bail in $1,500, which was furnished.

The complainant against Jacobs gives his name as Samuel G. Hitchens, colored, a waiter, who said he was employed in the Thirty-third street house and that Jacobs was not there on the nights he said he was.

Chicago Gifts to New Yorkers Ground to Bits.

A large quantity of Christmas mail from Chicago bound for New York was ground to pieces beneath the wheels of an Erie express train today. One of the bags was to be hurled on to the platform at Lestershire, the train not stopping. As the bag was thrown out, the big Chicago pouch fell outward beneath the wheels of the flying mail car. It was found that the big pouch had been cut into ribbons and the contents fairly ground to a pulp.

On leaving the Vanderbilt residence at 10:45 tonight, Dr. Austin Flint said: "Mr. Vanderbilt has turned the corner. He will get well."

Grand Island Passes Stock Dividend.

The following statement regarding yesterday's meeting of the St. Joseph and Grand Island directors was made public today: "At a meeting of the board of directors held Dec. 23 it was decided that in view of the rebuilding of the Bridge at St. Joseph, Mo., at a cost of $400,000, and the necessity of additional equipment, estimated to cost $300,000, no dividend will be declared on the first preferred stock."

Woman Breaks Mirror, Predicts Death, and Dies.

Mrs. Joyce H. Dailey, 24 years old, a manicurist living at 307 West Fifty-second street, this afternoon broke a mirror. "Some one will die before night," she said to Mrs. Marguerite Place, the landlady, who saw the mirror broken. "Nonsense," retorted Mrs. Place. "O, but it isn't—it's sure death," persisted the lodger.

Mrs. Dailey was found in her room at 5:30 o'clock dying from carbolic acid poisoning. When Dr. J. K. Bache arrived the woman was dead. He notified the coroner's office that the woman had committed suicide. While it is not believed that Mrs. Dailey was a Mormon convert a picture of a Mormon elder and of the tabernacle at Salt Lake City issued by the "bureau of information and church literature" were found in the room.

CANADIAN GIRL WHO WAS MARRIED TUESDAY TO AGED IRISH MARQUIS.

Miss Twining, who on Tuesday became the marchioness of Donegall, is a native of Canada and a graduate of Wellesley college. She went to England for a visit last spring and was the only Canadian débutante at King Edward's first evening reception in March last. The marquis is 80 years old and has been married twice before. On account of his age the bridegroom was unable to rise to his feet unassisted after kneeling at the altar on Tuesday, and had to be helped up by the bride.

RESENT A NEW SCHOOL ROD

PARENTS OF PUPILS OBJECT TO POLICE COURT DISCIPLINE.

Two Children from the Oak Ridge Branch Arrested Because They Throw Snowballs at the Windows, and Now Their Fathers and Mothers Declare That Principal Vanderwater Should Suffer for the Course He Took—Other Side of the Case.

Should a school principal cause the arrest of two of his pupils and cause them to be arraigned in a police court?

The question has been raised by residents whose children attend the Oak Ridge school, Fifty-second street and Prairie avenue, and Principal William E. Vanderwater may be called to an accounting before the school board.

The two boys in question threw snowballs at the schoolhouse windows. A third boy committed the same offense, but escaped arrest. The boys involved in the controversy are:

Stanley Harold, 12 year old son of Charles Harold, 5015 Calumet avenue; arrested on complaint of Principal Vanderwater and case against him dismissed by Justice Quinn.

Wallace Calvin, 13 year old son of Mrs. Margaret Calvin, 4728 Calumet avenue; arrested on complaint of Mr. Vanderwater and case dismissed in the Hyde Park police court.

Hughie Daly, 12 year old son of James C. Daly, contractor, 5015 Calumet avenue; threw snowballs but escaped arrest.

Mother Is Indignant.

Mrs. Calvin, mother of Wallace Calvin, is particularly indignant.

"It does not promote good behavior of children to swear out warrants for their arrest and have their names figure in criminal records," she said last evening. "Besides, it is wrong to drag their parents into police courts on account of some trivial misdemeanor of the children. But if such an action be deemed wise by the school authorities, should not the parents of the children be notified of their intention before the issuance of the warrants?"

Mrs. Calvin said she was not notified of the proceedings until after the warrants had been issued. Before this she had considered that her son had received sufficient punishment, as she had chastised him.

"But if this so-called justice is dealt out to two boys," continued Mrs. Calvin, "why should not the same apply to a third boy equally guilty?"

Father Charges Cruelty.

Mr. Daly, father of the boy who escaped arrest, is indignant from another standpoint and has taken his boy from school, saying he will file charges against the principal.

His boy, Mr. Daly says, was attacked and roughly handled by William Riley, janitor of the school, and he proposes to find out whether a school employé has the right to accord such treatment to a pupil.

"No wonder my boy was not arrested," Mr. Daly said last night. "He received more punishment at the hands of the janitor than was coming to him."

Mrs. Harold, mother of the third boy, had no criticism to make. She said: "My son had not lived up to the rules of the school, and I think Mr. Vanderwater was justified in his action."

Principal's Side of It.

In his own defense Principal Vanderwater said:

"On the afternoon the trouble occurred I had detained Calvin and Harold after school to punish them for a breach of discipline. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon they returned with young Daly, and each boy threw two snowballs at the school windows, breaking one of the panes. Riley, who is a special policeman, rushed out and seized Daly and after a struggle brought him before me for a reprimand. He was not hurt. Satisfied that the boys were inclined in the wrong direction I had them arrested. This was for their own good. The Daly boy was not arrested, because I had already reprimanded him."

Mr. Vanderwater has been in charge of the Oak Ridge school for sixteen years. He lives at 7826 Evans avenue.

MME. DUSE GIVES AWAY A BRIDE

Two of the Players in "Francesca da Rimini" Married on Christmas Eve.

Livio Pavanelli, who plays the part of Bannino in Eleanora Duse's production of "Francesca da Rimini," and Signorina Maria Brioschi, who plays the part of Adonella, one of Francesca's maids, were married yesterday morning. Mme. Dusa gave away the bride and several other members of the company were present at the ceremony. The courtship between Sig. Pavanelli and Signorina Brioschi began shortly after the company started upon its transatlantic tour.

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$5.00

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ASKS AID TO RECOVER A BOY.

Washington Woman Invokes State Department to Regain Possession of Youth on Board Ship.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—The state department is involving the Mrs. Helen G. Preston Ames. British steamer Buenos Ayres. considering a singular case legation of Uruguay here. Sparhawk has asked aid in 10 year old nephew, Joseph Soldier Prince en route to The boy is now now on the The department will seek to determine what part, if any, was taken by the legation officials here in the removal of the boy.

Today's Art Supplement.

SISTINE MADONNA.

[RAPHAEL.]

The greatest artists the world has produced have painted the virgin and child. No subject has received so much attention; none so capable of inspiring such great religious and artistic fervor and enthusiasm. There is a list of forty-three Madonnas, which includes the most remarkable paintings known, and high in rank stands the Sistine Madonna of Raphael. It is located in the royal gallery at Dresden, Saxony, and is in a room all alone. People come from all parts of the world to gaze upon it, and there is, perhaps, no work of art which has been so much written about.

Raphael painted it in 1518, and it was purchased by the Elector Augustus III. in 1754 from the Benedictine monastery at Piacenza. The photogravure reproduction given with THE TRIBUNE today gives the reader a perfect idea of this masterpiece. It represents the virgin with the child in her arms, advancing among the clouds, surrounded by cherub faces. At the left Pope Sixtus II. kneels in adoration, and at the right St. Barbara looks down and out of the picture. Below, two winged cherubs, so familiar in popular reproductions, lean on a parapet looking upwards.

DEATHS.

(For other deaths see page 9.)

COLIE—Mrs. Frances L. Colie, nee Swart, wife of P. J. Colie, 362 Wesley-av., Oak Park. Funeral notice later. Watertown (N. Y.) papers please copy.

COLLINS—Virgil A., Dec. 24, aged 61 years. Funeral at 10 a. m. Friday. Burial private.

HUSSION—John F., beloved son of Patrick and the late Maria Hussion, at his residence, 75 Elburn av., Dec. 24, 1902. Funeral notice later.

McGURREN—Henry McGurren, 1280 W. Adams-st., in Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 21. Arrive in Chicago Dec. 26. Funeral notice later.

WILEY—Mrs. Mary Wiley, widow of the late Samuel Wiley, mother of Sarah E. Wiley, at her home, 5443 Jackson-av., Dec. 23 at 6 p. m. Notice of funeral hereafter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

WARNING—MEMBERS OF THE MASONIC fraternity and all good citizens in general are hereby notified and warned that the advertisement recently published in one of the local newspapers, the purport of which is to solicit persons to become Masons, also the circular letter issued to applicants replying to the said advertisement, are both entirely unauthorized from any legitimate or lawful source. The organization referred to in the advertisement and circular are considered by all regular Masons to be irregular, spurious, and clandestine.

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GEO. M. MOULTON.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

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THE CORNELL UNIVERSITY GLEE, BANJO and MANDOLIN CLUBS CONCERT. STEINWAY HALL, Van Buren-st., Bet. Wabash and Michigan-avs. THURSDAY EVENING, JAN. 1. Tickets at Steinway Hall. Prices $1, $1.50, $2.

TEMPLE ISRAEL, 44TH-ST. AND ST. LAWRENCE-AV. DR. E. G. HIRSCH Will Lecture on the Subject WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM CHRISTMAS AND CHANUKA. Friday Evening, 8:30 in English. Saturday Morning, 10:30, in German. ALL WELCOME.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE. THIS EVENING AT EIGHT O'CLOCK. ELEONORA DUSE in FRANCESCA DA RIMINI. Last 3 times—Thurs. and Fri. Evgs and Sat. Mat. BOUND HOMEWARD And Due Next Sunday Evening. THE WIZARD OF OZ. Seats Are Now on Sale.

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ALEDO GIRL WINS ALLIES BY STORY

Tona Dunlap's Testimony in Poisoning Trial Converts Many to Her Side.

DENIES SHE GAVE CANDY.

Defendant Tells of Allie Dool's Love for Man as Basis of Suicide Theory.

[BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

Aledo, Ill., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Miss Tona Dunlap challenged the admiration of all who heard her testify in court today. With the charge of murder hanging over her head, a coldly critical and unsympathetic audience listening intently to every word she uttered, and a pair of shrewd lawyers alert to find a weak spot in her defense, she proved a remarkable witness. From morning until night as composed as if sitting in her own house, she replied to questions bearing upon every possible phase of the mystery surrounding the tragic death of Miss Allie Dool last August.

There was a fearlessness in Miss Dunlap's demeanor which was hard to reconcile with the theory of guilt. When court adjourned tonight it was an easy matter to hear expressions to the effect that if Miss Dunlap was guilty she had proved a wonderful actress in the simulation of innocence. These expressions came most frequently from persons who were active a few days ago in proclaiming the defendant's guilt.

Remarkable as a Witness.

Miss Dunlap was guarded in her replies at times when under cross examination. She was also positive as a witness could be when the occasion demanded. She was a willing witness at all times, unless exceptions were to be made of the times when she declared she could not remember. She did remember, however, all the important details connected with her movements and actions Aug. 7, the day when Miss Dool died in the agonies of strychnine poisoning.

At adjournment time Miss Dunlap had finished her cross examination, and her lawyers had started into the redirect examination. Her testimony was practicaly finished, and the general impression in the courtroom seemed to be that she had greatly strengthened her case. It was a matter of comment, too, that State's Attorney Graham and his associate, Attorney Scott, had conducted the cross examination without showing the slightest trace of vindictiveness.

Tells of Giving Candy.

Miss Dunlap's story of the manner in which Miss Dool got the candy which caused her death was straightforward and identical with the story she had told before.

"Miss Miller and I went into Felix's store," said Miss Dunlap, "and Miss Dool came to wait on us at the muslin counter. I purchased 15 cents' worth of India linen, and after Miss Dool had wrapped it up I picked up my sack of candy and offered her some. She said: 'I never refuse candy,' and took three or four pieces from the sack. Miss Miller and I each took a piece from the sack, and then I emptied the contents on the counter. There were only two pieces remaining, and Miss Miller and I divided them between us.

"I bit off a piece of the candy taken from the counter," continued Miss Dunlap, "and swallowed part of the bite before noticing that it was awfully bitter. I put the other piece in my mouth thinking that the bitterness was just the chocolate and found it so bitter that I asked Miss Dool if she would excuse me if I should spit it on the floor. She said 'certainly,' and I spit the candy out on the floor."

Claims She Was Poisoned.

Miss Dunlap continued her story, giving an account of what happened to her while she was on her way home that evening. She became sick while near the schoolhouse. A twitching of the limbs seized her, accompanied with a sensation of nausea. The symptoms continued, Miss Dunlap said, after she reached home, although she made no particular complaint to the family. When she was informed over the telephone that Allie Dool was dying from the effects of poison contained in the candy she became alarmed.

"I could hardly understand a word that was said over the telephone," said Miss Dunlap, "but I finally managed to make it out that the candy I had been eating was poisoned. The person who was talking to me said: 'For God's sake do something quick,' and I asked her what to do. Then I returned to Bessie, my sister, and told her that there was poison in the candy we had been eating." The rest of the events of the evening were narrated by Miss Dunlap as they had been told by her mother and sister and several other witnesses.

Shows Motive for Suicide.

At the conclusion of this part of the testimony Miss Dunlap was asked a question designed to show the condition of Allie Dool's mind, the purpose of the defense being to give strength to the suicide theory.

"Were you and Miss Dool good friends?" asked Attorney Thomason. "And did she ever confide in you concerning her relations with Frank Owens?"

"Yes, sir; we were good friends. She talked with me for the first time about her relations with Owens while we were working together in the store during July of last year. She said to me that Frank had ruined himself and asked me what I would do if I was in her place. I said, 'You know better than I do.' She said, 'I've been living for him alone for years, and it's hard to give him up now.' She spoke about Frank again last summer, and of how hard it was to give him up."

Never Quarreled with Allie Dool.

"Did you ever have a quarrel with Allie Dool?" Mr. Thomason asked.

"Never in my life."

"Was there ever anything happened to cause you or her to have a feeling of ill will or hatred toward each other?"

"Nothing of the kind, to my knowledge."

When Miss Dunlap was questioned concerning her experiences on the night she was taken sick at home, she surprised the prosecution by the vigor she displayed in denying a conversation testified to by Mrs. Charles Derr, a neighbor, who was at the Dunlap house that night.

"Did you ever say to Mrs. Derr that Dr. Browning told you on that night that you had a little poison from the candy you had eaten?"

"I never had any such conversation with Mrs. Derr or any other person," said Miss Dunlap, her black eyes snapping as she spoke.

Denies Asking for Dead Girl's Place.

The same positiveness was displayed by Miss Dunlap when her attorney asked her whether she ever had applied to B. F. Felix for employment in his store after the death of Miss Dool. Mr. Felix testified during the early part of the trial that the defendant asked him for a position, five days after the death of Miss Dool, and said he told her he could not employ her under the circumstances.

"Did you ever ask Mr. Felix if there was any show for you to get to work in his store?" Mr. Thomason asked.

"I positively did not," said Miss Dunlap, raising her voice above its ordinarily low tone.

"Did you ever say to any person who has testified here that you expected to go back to work in Felix's store?"

"No, sir; I always said that if Mr. Felix wanted me I'd go back to work in his store."

Explains Her Religious Beliefs.

There were more denials from Miss Dunlap when she came to her cross examination, which attacked the veracity of a lot of women who testified for the prosecution. Attorney Scott brought these denials out when he began a series of questions relating to conversations the defendant had, in which her religious faith was revealed.

"Isn't it a part of your belief that the Christian is better off in the next world than in this one?" asked Mr. Scott.

"It is," replied Miss Dunlap.

"You considered Miss Dool a true Christian, did you not?"

"Yes, sir, I did."

"Did you express the sentiment that she was better off dead than alive in discussing her death with sorrowing friends?"

"No, sir, I did not."

"Didn't you say to Mrs. Daniel Long that it was the Lord's will that Allie should be taken and you left, and that it was for her own good after she had had such a dreary life?"

"I said, 'I suppose it was the Lord's will that Allie should be taken,'" said Miss Dunlap without any hesitation, "but I did not use the rest of that language."

Practically the same questions were asked concerning the conversations testified to by Miss Maggie Long, Mrs. Thompson, Miss Mabel Derr, Blanche Coleman, Miss Viola Brown, and other witnesses. Some of the witnesses were flatly contradicted and others were partly confirmed.

An attempt by the defense to introduce the testimony of Mrs. Sarah Anderson of Washington, Ia., was defeated by a ruling of the court sustaining the objections of the prosecution. Mrs. Anderson might have been a valuable witness for the defense. While the jury was excluded from the courtroom she testified that during the last week of July she was poisoned by eating chocolate candy bought at a store in Washington and the symptoms she described were identical with those described by Miss Dunlap.

It was developed by the questions that Mrs. Anderson was a stranger to the attorneys, who had learned of her poisoning through a former resident of Aledo. The defense offered to produce other witnesses who had been poisoned by eating chocolate candy, but the court held such evidence inadmissible.

SUIT OVER A PETRIFIED BODY.

Heirs of Des Moines Man Ask $10,000 Damages from Embalmers Charged with Exhibiting Remains.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 24.—The Rex Embalming company, W. F. Pettis & Co., and W. C. Harbach, undertakers and embalmers, have been made defendants in a suit for $10,000 damages brought by Eleanor and Homer Langford, who allege that the defendants unlawfully removed the body of John Allen, a relative, from the grave in 1896, embalmed it, and have since been exhibiting it in Des Moines and over the state as a petrified man. The plaintiffs base their claim on outraged feelings and the fact that they are sole heirs of John Allen.

SISTERS WHO DIE OF SCARLET FEVER WITHIN FEW HOURS OF ONE ANOTHER.

Josephine De Latour, who, with her 10 year old sister, Ruth, were victims of malignant scarlet fever, was a second year student in the Hyde Park High school. She died Sunday night and less than twenty-four hours later her sister succumbed. Albert and Ray De Latour, two brothers, who are suffering with the same illness, were said yesterday to be slightly improved. Dr. J. E. Sawyer, the attending physician, said that because of their robust constitution he thought both would recover. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. De Latour, the parents, who live at 4853 St. Lawrence avenue, are almost prostrated by the deaths of the two daughters. The mother has not been able to see any of her relatives or friends because of the quarantine established by the health department.

GUILT FIXED ON MAHONEY.

JURY CONNECTS OFFICER WITH JEWELRY STORE BURGLARY.

Daniel Curran, Accused of Being an Accomplice in the Crime, Is Acquitted—Verdict Carries with It a Term in the Penitentiary for the Convicted Man from One to Fourteen Years — Prisoner Bitter Over the Result of the Trial.

Policeman Patrick P. Mahoney was declared guilty of burglary in the verdict rendered by the jury in Judge McEwen's court yesterday morning. The same jury found that Daniel Curran, accused of being an accomplice in the same crime, was not guilty.

The apparent discrepancy in the two findings is said to be due to the especial emphasis that the prosecutors laid on Mahoney's case. No witnesses were introduced to show where Curran was supposed to have secured the wagon that Clark and Barry said was used to carry away the plunder from Hagamann's jewelry store, and the jury is believed to have placed considerable faith in the statement Curran signed in the presence of Inspectors Hunt and Lavin, in which he said he came into possession of the stolen property in an innocent manner, and gave it up immediately after he learned what it was.

Mahoney Bitter Over Verdict.

Curran's discharge papers were at once made out, other indictments against him were nolled, and he was given his freedom at noon. Mahoney took his verdict, which carries with it a term in the penitentiary of from one to fourteen years, in a bitter mood. He refused to be interviewed and cursed the newspaper men who approached him as being responsible for his conviction.

Attorney S. H. Trude, representing Mahoney, entered a motion for a new trial, and the arguments will be heard in January. Attorneys Donahoe and Hartnett, who defended Curran, contented themselves with saying, "I told you so."

Report That Mahoney May Confess.

There was a rumor around the Criminal court building during the afternoon that Mahoney was likely to make a confession and reveal details of the robbery that have not been brought out. He refused to say anything about it, however, and State's Attorney Deneen said he did not look for any confession. Mahoney did not testify during the trial, and should he make a statement implicating Curran the latter would be liable to a charge of perjury.

Mahoney's fate is said to have been settled by the jury with two ballots. The first ballot on Curran's guilt was a tie, and three hours were spent before an agreement was reached. Foreman James Patton is said to have been the juror who urged Curran's acquittal, and finally won over the six who did not agree with him. Albert Johnson and G. C. Eby are credited with sticking out for a verdict of guilty until the last.

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Halifax, N. S., Dec. 24.—Wireless messages sent in Italian by Marconi to Gen. Brusaldi, first aide-de-camp to the king of Italy, to the lady in waiting to the queen dowager Margherita, and to the Italian minister of marine have been received at Poldhu, Cornwall, by operators who have no knowledge of the Italian language. This is considered an interesting proof of the accuracy with which messages may be transmitted.

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JUSTICE ACCUSED BY CHILD TOILER

Adam Davison Charged with Aiding Parent in Making False Age Affidavit.

CASE TO BE PROSECUTED.

Four Other Boys Employed by American Can Company Admit Law Violations.

"My mother went with me to Justice Davison's when I got my affidavit. She told Justice Davison that I was only 13 years old. He said, 'O, that's all right.' Then my mother held up her hand and swore that I was 14. She signed the affidavit and so did Justice Davison. Then I went to work."

As a result of this confession made yesterday morning by Frank Paternostero, a child employé at the Maywood factory of the American Can company, charges of malfeasance in office will be preferred against Police Magistrate Adam Davison of Melrose Park by Chief Factory Inspector Davies.

Two other boys confirmed the statement made by Frank. One of them was his 20 year old brother, who is employed at the same factory, the other his 13 year old cousin, who works at his side at one of the soldering machines.

Confession Made to Inspector.

The confession of the lad was made to Deputy Inspector Samuel Rieger and a reporter for THE TRIBUNE during a raid of the factory for violators of the child labor laws.

Frank Paternostero was one of five sallow faced boys who tearfully told Inspector Rieger that they were only 13 years old, although affidavits had been supplied declaring them to be of legal age. It was a sad faced group that gathered around the factory inspectors and made confessions which will result in not only the prosecution of their parents and Justice Davison, but will close the factory doors to them until time removes the barriers.

The Paternostero boy at first declared he was over 14.

"You told me yesterday that you were 13," spoke up little Michael Tronendon, another 13 year old lad, "and that your birthday was Dec. 23."

Broken down by the accusation of his benchmate, Frank admitted he was only 13. Then came the charge made against Justice Davison.

"The justice told my mother it would be all right to make the affidavit, even though Frank was only 13," declared Michael Paternostero, the brother.

Second Boy Makes Confession.

Rocco Paternostero, a cousin of Frank, also admitted that the date of his birth had been altered to suit the requirements of the law.

"I am only 13," he said, "but my father works here, and he said it would be all right for me to work here, too. I was 13 last February. My mother signed my affidavit, which was witnessed by Justice Davison."

Jerry Paternostero, the father of the one boy and the uncle of the other, reluctantly admitted that the lads were both 13.

The other three boys who confessed under the sharp questioning of Inspector Rieger to being only 13 were:

Bernard H. Lehnhardt, 1716 Eighteenth street.
Rick Sung, 172 Twenty-fourth avenue, Melrose Park.
Michael Tronendon, 151 Twenty-fifth avenue, Melrose Park.

Those suspected of being under age, and whose affidavits were taken up for investigation, were:

Sam Bonchak, Jasamin avenue.
Leonard Nelson, 4912 Harvard street.
Solomon Prigiman, 207 Twenty-fourth avenue, Melrose Park.
Clark Ruge.

Many Children Work Over Hours.

Sixty-nine children under 16 years of age were found working in the factory over ten hours a day in violation of the state laws. The officials of the can company will be prosecuted on these charges. Many of the violators of the ten hour day law were not over 14 years old.

Factory Inspectors Rieger, Cochrane, and Whitgreaves swooped down on the Maywood factory without warning. The investigation was made as the result of a complaint filed by John J. Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

The Tronedon boy explained that his mother had told him he was 14, but after close questioning he broke down and wept.

"I am only 13," he complained, "but I have to work. My father doesn't work. He has a headache all the time, and mother is sick."

Little Mike occupies an hour going and coming from his home. This necessitates his rising at 5 a. m. He gets to his home at 7 each evening.

Began Working at 11 Years.

The Lehnhardt boy confessed that he was only 13, tuat when he entered the employ of the can company on this last occasion he was 12, and that formerly he had worked in the same place at the age of 11. A. H. R. Atwood, the attorney of the company? was the notary before whom the affidavit was made, and H. Lehnhardt, father of the lad, swore to his son's age.

A large number of the children occupy over an hour in going to and from the factory and do not reach home until after dark. Many reside in Hawthorne.

PROPOSED MONUMENT TO KOSCIUSKO TO BE ERECTED IN HUMBOLDT PARK.

Model copyrighted by Chudzinski.

A statue of the Polish general and patriot, Kosciusko, will be erected in Humboldt park by the Polish residents of the city as soon as permission is received from the west park board. A working model of the statue, a heroic equestrian figure, designed by Chudzinski, a Polish sculptor, has been received and will be cast in bronze. The west park board will pass on the request to erect the statue as soon as the Municipal Art league has passed on the artistic merit of the model. The sculptor has been in Warsaw for some time, and brought the model to Chicago with him.

'HANDS OFF' FOR HOPKINS.

WILL STAY IN CHICAGO TILL A SPEAKER IS ELECTED.

Candidate for Senator Announces That He Will Not Go to Springfield Till After the Legislature Is Organized, as He Does Not Desire to Be Drawn Into the Contest—Lorimer Will Be on the Ground on Sunday—On an "O. K." Mission.

Congressman A. J. Hopkins, in an effort to convince every one that he is not mixing up in the speakership fight, announced yesterday that he would not go to Springfield or open up headquarters there until after the election of a speaker is settled.

Senator Mason, however, will be on the ground early with his senatorial aspirations, and it is reported that George E. Adams and perhaps Frank O. Lowden will have headquarters established at Springfield before the legislature meets. There also is talk of E. S. Conway, chairman of the republican county committee, coming out as a Cook county candidate, but whether he will establish headquarters has not been stated.

Congressman Hopkins' determination to keep his senatorial ambitions out of the speakership fight was arrived at after he had conferred with Representatives Cherry and Beitler, who are friends of L. Y. Sherman. They told him there was considerable bad feeling because outsiders had mixed up in the speakership contest, and it would not do any senatorial candidate any good to meddle.

Mr. Hopkins, recognizing the difficulty of being on the ground and not being drawn into the controversy in some form or other, decided to remain away altogether.

Lorimer Going, Also.

Mr. Sherman will go to Springfield on Sunday and open headquarters on Monday. Congressman Lorimer will go at the same time, and the Miller headquarters will be opened on his arrival.

Mr. Lorimer's desire to be early on the ground, however, is generally supposed to be actuated more by a desire to get "hold" of Gov. Yates at the earliest possible moment, than to sit around Mr. Miller's headquarters.

According to reports, all sorts of promises of state patronage have been made in the process of securing votes for Miller for speaker, and it is necessary that the governor "O. K." them before the night of the caucus.

Representative Rodman was in Chicago yesterday, and the story went out that he was inquiring about the appointment of a judge in his district. This appointment had been promised him, but was held up because Senator Mason, in turn, held up the appointment of Judge Wright to the federal Court of Claims, thus delaying the resignation of Judge Wright from the Circuit judgeship.

Pushing Fight on Harrison.

The anti-Harrison democrats are planning to pick a candidate and to boom him, hoping that with their candidate in the field and Mayor Harrison refusing to declare himself they could capture the nomination before the convention meets. If the mayor hopes for a renomination, the antis say, he must declare himself at once, else the nomination will go to their candidate by default. John Barton Payne is the candidate most talked of.

Wearies of Being Alderman.

Ald. Sullivan of the Twenty-second ward announces he will not be a candidate for re-election. "My salary is $125 a month, and I am spending $300 a month," he said yesterday.

ROBBERS MAKE NOON RAID: LEAVE VICTIMS LOCKED UP.

Two Holdup Men Invade Coal Office and Secure Cash and Valuables — No 'Phone in Police Station.

Thomas P. Hicks and H. C. Taylor, coal dealers at Taylor street and Kedzie avenue, were held up in their office yesterday by two masked men, who forced them to open the safe, which they looted. Inadequate telephone service to the nearest police station assisted the thieves in their escape.

The robbery was committed shortly before noon, while street cars and pedestrians were passing the office frequently. Both men had handkerchiefs tied over the lower parts of their faces.

The three clerks employed in the coal office had left for lunch yesterday, leaving the proprietors alone. The robbers flourished revolvers and ordered Mr. Taylor to open the safe, from which they secured $160. A gold watch and $10 were taken from Mr. Hicks, while Mr. Taylor was relieved of a diamond pin. Then the thieves locked up the dealers.

As the robbers left Mr. Hicks stepped to the telephone to notify the police, but found that the Lawndale station, which is supposed to guard the territory, has no telephone. The Central station then was notified and the message relayed to the Lawndale station. The police arrived forty minutes later.

Three holdup men armed with revolvers invaded the shoe factory of William Osner & Co., 30 Elston avenue, Tuesday night and attacked Miss Lottie Blesser, the cashier. The young woman seized a chair and was swinging it on the robbers when others rushed to her aid and the robbers fled.

On a search warrant secured by Thayer & Chandler, 144-146 Wabash avenue, the police yesterday raided a house at 2731 La Salle street and seized two wagon loads of house furnishings. John Cunningham, an employé of the firm, was arrested on the charge of having stolen the goods.

DECREASE OF 20 PER CENT IN THE STATE'S TAX RATE.

Nearly $1,000,000 Received from the Federal Government for War Claims Reduces the Amount of Collections.

There will be a decrease of 20 per cent in the amount of state taxes levied in Illinois this year compared with 1901. The state tax commission at Springfield yesterday fixed the rate at 40 cents on $100 of assessed valuation. Last year and in 1900 the rate was 50 cents.

The decrease is due to the receipt of nearly $1,000,000 by the state from the federal government because of money expended in equipping the Illinois militia for service in the Spanish-American war. It was estimated that approximately $4,500,000 will be necessary for state and school purposes. Deducting the sum received from the government, it will leave $3,611,852 to be raised by taxation.

The commission figured that a 40 cent rate would produce the required amount. Of this rate 28.8 cents on each $100 assessed valuation will be for the state general fund and 11.2 cents for the school fund.

The total assessed valuation in Cook county and Chicago is $433,450,482, which will contribute $1,733,888 to the state taxes, a saving of $433,460 on what the amount would have been had the rate of last year prevailed.

TWO DECADES OF LITIGATION OVER EIGHT INCHES OF LAND.

Case Again Called for Trial, Though Original Parties to Suit Dead—Costs Amount to Thousands of Dollars.

After twenty-one years of litigation, entailing thousands of dollars in costs, and involving the ownership of eight inches of land valued at $150, a suit was called before Judge Hutchinson yesterday for its third trial. At previous hearings Judges Gary and Wilson presided. Both the original litigants are dead.

The property is at Wells and Eugenie streets, and on the eight inches in dispute stands the wall of the house of William Niemeyer, an undertaker. The same narrow strip is claimed by Mrs. Helena Riehm, widow of Henry Riehm, who bought the property in 1881. After he bought the land Riehm declared he had paid for eight inches more than he got, and the suit was begun.

Several efforts have been made to effect a settlement out of court, but without avail. The elder Niemeyer and Riehm, who were the original litigants, have both died, but the fight is being carried on by their heirs. The error in the deed is said to have been made by S. F. Gale, who originally sold the land to William Niemeyer in 1865.

Charged with Robbing Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Leutloss, 1617 Bernard street, and Robert Emmons, who rooms at their home, are being held by the police of the Sheffield avenue station charged with taking $400 worth of household goods from the hotel of Hammond Reichart at Clark street and Sunnyside avenue. According to Reichart, Leutloss and his wife, who were employed by him, have been taking articles from the hotel for several months.

Despondent Woman Ends Life.

Mrs. Julia Harmon, 41 years old, 708 West Van Buren street, committed suicide yesterday afternoon by taking carbolic acid. Despondency because of separation from her husband is thought to have been the reason for the suicide.

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Merry Christmas!

WE are celebrating today and our store is closed. We have every reason to feel in holiday humor. Our business in every department has broken all previous records. The army of employes that handled this unprecedented Christmas trade is enjoying a well earned holiday. We wish to thank our many friends and customers for their generous support during the year now drawing to a close and assure them that it will be our greatest pleasure to serve them in the future as we have in the past.

Now for Bargain News

The Christmas throngs have left behind them the usual quantity of frequently handled, mussed, and in some cases soiled articles of every possible kind. To separate and classify them in one day would be an impossibility. Instead of attempting the impossible we have decided to make *tomorrow* the most conspicuous *Bargain Friday* in all the year by means of a *Stupendous Price Cutting* on these varied lines. And in addition to these we offer a multitude of bargains in staple merchandise that will make tomorrow a memorable occasion. It is needless to say that the most desirable articles will go quickest. There are bargains enough for all, but there are always advantages in first choice. Those who come first will have their pick of a splendid variety of stylish and seasonable novelties at prices that may never be duplicated.

A. M. Rothschild & Co.

The convenience of our new *Credit Department* will be appreciated by those who prefer to have their purchases charged. It is located on the main floor adjoining the bank, near the Van Buren street entrance. Purchases made during the remainder of December will be charged to January account.

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

A Debut at the Studebaker.

The Castle Square opera company is giving "Carmen" at the Studebaker this week, the title rôle being assumed by Miss Ivell or Miss Norwood, Mr. Sheehan or Mr. D'Aubigne being the Don José, Mr. Paull or Mr. Goff the Escamillo, and Miss Rennyson, Miss Ramey, or Miss Watrous the Michaela. Yesterday at the matinée, Miss Watrous appeared for the first time in the principal part, it being to all intents and purposes the young singer's début. She has been a member of the company since the season began, but not till yesterday was solo work of importance intrusted to her. The rôle of Michaela is one often chosen by débutantes, the fact that inexperience in acting does not count for so much in this part as in many others probably being responsible for the selection of it.

The music, however, is not easy, the aria in the third act being far from a trifling thing for any singer to undertake. Miss Watrous had no light task set her, therefore, and that she performed it with even fairly commendable success speaks well for her abilities and warrants the prediction of a pleasing future for her. She was heard in the aria, and, although the nervousness that is an inseparable adjunct of a first appearance of this kind made itself evident by producing insecurity in the handling of the head tones of the voice, there were many things she did that were satisfactory and that promise well for future progress. The voice in its lower ranges is sweet and sympathetic, not especially strong, but of good carrying power and under fair control. In appearance Miss Watrous is pleasing, being of neat, trim figure and attractive of face.

Miss Ivell was heard by the writer for the first time this season. Her method of singing has not improved much since she last sang here, which is to be regretted, for the voice is one of unusual possibilities if properly schooled, but in acting and stage art she shows gain. Her Carmen is along ultra-realistic lines, but has many effective and well thought out touches. There is unmistakably dramatic gifts and artistic inclinations of more than ordinary kind in this young woman, and it will be interesting to watch how far they will lead her. Could moderation and actual knowledge be brought to their guidance something of worth should be accomplished.

The Iroquois Ready Next October.

The building permit was issued yesterday for the new theater, the Iroquois, on Randolph street. Managers Will Davis and Harry Powers, who are to have the control of the new house, announced that work would be begun May 1 and the theater ready for occupancy early next October. It is intended to make it the home of productions of the elaborate kind, similar to "Ben Hur"—productions that require larger stage space than is at the disposal of the Illinois.

The Apollo club will give its annual performance of "The Messiah" tonight in the Auditorium, the chorus of 400 and the Chicago orchestra being under the direction of Harrison M. Wild. The soloists will be Mrs. Genevieve Clark Wilson, soprano; Mrs. Ella Pierson Kirkham, contralto; Charles A. Knorr, tenor; and Albert Borroff, bass.

W. L. HUBBARD.

H. PHIPPS GIVES LIBERALLY.

Steel Man Sends Home Order for $10,000 for American Educational Alliance.

Lakewood, N. J., Dec. 24.—Henry Phipps of the Carnegie Steel company, who is now traveling in India, has sent to Isidor Straus $10,000 as a Christmas present to the Educational alliance.

Mystery in a Gunny Sack.

A gunny sack, in which was an overcoat, an inside coat, and a pair of trousers, was found on the lake shore at Ninety-ninth street yesterday, and the police are investigating. So far they are unable to understand the case.

Four Daily Trains St. Paul and Minneapolis Via Chicago and Northwestern railway. Leave Chicago 9 a. m., 6:30 p. m. (electric lighted), 8 p. m., and 10 p. m. Fast schedules; luxurious equipment. Dining car service unequaled. Ticket offices, 212 Clark street and Wells Street Station.

HOLE IN BOTTOM OF THE SEA.

Pacific Cable Surveyor Sounds to Depth of 4,500 Fathoms in One Place on Route.

HONOLULU, Dec. 18, via San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 24.—S. S. Dickinson, the special agent of the Pacific Cable company, returned today from Manila, where he has chosen cable landing sites at Midway island, Guam, and Manila. He also surveyed a route around Nero Deep, a deep hole in the ocean bed between Guam and Midway, reported to be the deepest bit of ocean in the world. In surveying around the deep Mr. Dickinson says he went down to a depth of 4,500 fathoms, and the route chosen went around it, it being deemed impracticable to lay a cable over it.

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RISKED LIFE FOR OTHERS: ARE TO BE GIVEN MEDALS.

Henry E. Weaver to Reward Oscar Armstrong, an Evanston Young Woman, and a Fireman for Heroism.

Of the many instances of heroism in life saving that have been recorded in Chicago during the year three have been selected as worthy of the Chicago life saving medal given by Henry E. Weaver. The medals will be presented by the Rev. Frank Gunsaulus at Central church on Jan. 1. The following will receive the prizes:

Oscar Armstrong, a sailor, rescued two women from drowning in the river at Clark street bridge on Tuesday, Dec. 23, at the risk of his own life. He has saved numerous lives, one being a notable rescue of a crew of sixteen men. Gold medal.

Ethel Barker, Evanston, a pupil at Lincoln school, saved 200 children during a fire panic on Monday, Nov. 24. Silver medal.

Thomas Filek, tiller man, fire truck No. 12. Badly injured in saving his comrades on the truck, the truck being struck by a train at Western avenue and Fourteenth street, in response to a fire alarm, on Thursday, Nov. 7. Silver medal.

DIES AS HE RECEIVES A GIFT.

Aged Man Will Be Buried in Garments Which Were Intended for Christmas Presents.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—While calling upon his daughter, Mrs. Thomas Marsden of 3144 Hartville street, to receive a dress shirt as a Christmas present, Daniel Bancroft, 71 years old, of East Indiana avenue, near Kipp street, Kensington, dropped dead from heart disease tonight. The family reunion, which was to have taken place tomorrow at the Marsden home, has been indefinitely postponed. Bancroft had been complaining of heart trouble for some time. Bancroft will be laid out in the presents that had been given him for Christmas—a white dress shirt from Mrs. Marsden, a black suit from one son, a pair of shoes from another, and a set of underwear from a daughter.

RECEIVER FOR PRINTING FIRM.

Jamieson-Higgins Company Goes to the Wall—Partner Sues a Bindery Concern.

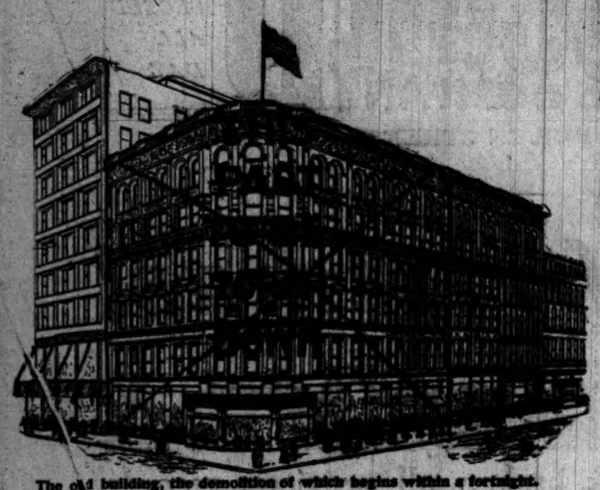
The Jamieson-Higgins company, book publishers at 334 Dearborn street, was placed in the hands of a receiver yesterday by Judge Kohlsaat. No statement of liabilities and assets was given out. The company did a book printing and publishing business. The officers of the company are Stillman B. Jamieson, Charles Higgins, and Samuel W. Jamieson. Later in the day suit was filed in the Circuit court by Stillman B. Jamieson against the W. G. Godwin company, whose name has recently been changed to the Chicago Bindery company of West Chicago. Jamieson asks the court to appoint a receiver for the company, alleging that he holds its notes for $11,600, secured by a chattel mortgage upon the plant. He declares that there is now due him $12,017, for principal and interest. Besides the Goldwin company the bill names T. W. and C. B. Sheridan, Dexter Folder company, and Smyth Manufacturing company of Hartford, Conn., as codefendants.

MRS. W. A. CLARK JR. IS BETTER.

Mother of Million Dollar Baby, Who Is Critically Ill, Improves Slightly.

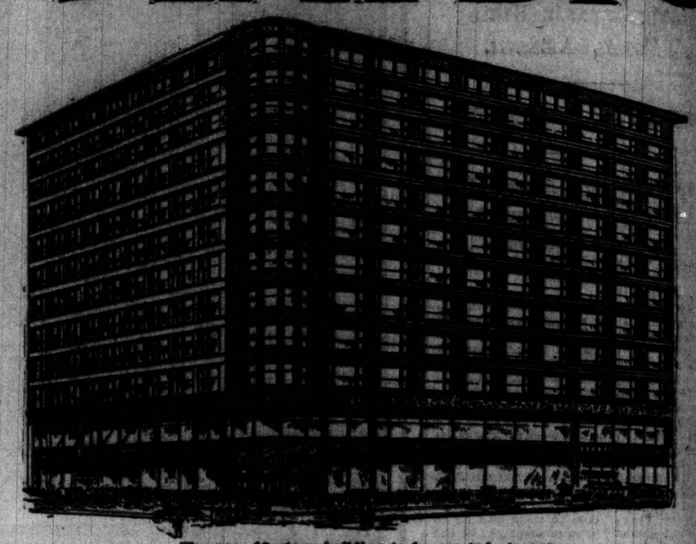
Butte, Mont., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The condition of Mrs. W. A. Clark Jr. shows a slight change for the better tonight, but her physicians and attendants are not much encouraged by the slight improvement, though hoping for a continuation of it.

SCHLESINGER AND MAYER



The old building, the demolition of which begins within a fortnight.

TEARING DOWN THE STATE STREET CORNER BUILDING



The new 12-story building to be erected at once.

A peremptory clearing of more than one-third of our entire stock.

EARLY in January we shall begin the dismantling of our building at the corner of State and Madison streets, which for nearly 20 years has been one of the most conspicuous landmarks in Chicago. The destruction of this building will **reduce our selling space a little over one-third.** Before stocks can be housed in other sections the volume of merchandise must be greatly reduced. The holiday trade prevented our beginning earlier the great clearance sales which are absolutely necessary before we can conduct business successfully in our lessened quarters.

We predict that the crowds which will center here during the next two weeks will be the greatest ever gathered in any store on State street. We've been preparing for them in every possible way, recruiting our salesforce and adding extra shifts to our delivery service.

On Friday, December 26, begins the exodus. First—We expect the public to carry away the merchandise and it has been priced to insure a speedy disposal. Second—Come the fixture men to take the counters and shelving. Third—The wreckers and salvage men to tear away the building for the ERECTION OF ONE OF THE WORLD'S HANDSOMEST DRY GOODS STORES. On every floor—in every section—bargain hunters will find counters and tables piled high with winter woolens, fabrics and furnishings, radically reduced in price to clear the stock. It's an event of even greater import than the closing of the basement, recognized as Chicago's most successful bona fide sale.

We realize that the after-Christmas period is one of retrenchment. But this sale is so startling in its character that it's a matter of pure economy to buy liberally when such extraordinary bargains are procurable. Nearly one-third of our entire stock of goods must be disposed of—the largest quantity of high-grade merchandise ever closed out in so brief a time. It will take radical methods to accomplish our purpose and we consider neither cost nor value in the pricing. These sales are not mere clearances of odds and ends, but embrace entire lines of up-to-date goods—MERCHANDISE OF THE MOST DESIRABLE KIND and of practical, everyday utility.

Great sale smart evening dress fabrics 50c

45-inch all wool French crepe albatross, 75c value, gaslight shades—45-inch all wool silk finished cashmeres, evening shades, 75c value—45-in. all wool French batiste, 65c—also 5,000 yards silk finished washable mohairs, cream shades—and all wool cream serges—choice of the entire lot, 50c. **50c**

$1 for silk and wool crystal crepes, former value $2.50.
$1 for silk and wool soliennes, former value $2.50.
$1 for emb. silk and wool novelties, former val. $2.50.
$1 for satin faced meteors, former value $2.50.
50c for 44-inch all wool cheviot serges.
$1 for fancy silk grenadines, former value $2.50.
50c for 42-inch all wool panama cloths.
75c for $1.25 paquin cloths—French whipcord.
75c for $1.50 54-inch Scotch woolens—English suitings.
75c for $1.50 46-inch double width corduroys.
25c for remnants of all wool granites, etamines.
35c for remnants of 54-inch all wool check suitings.

Reducing black goods.

Over 1,000 remnants, every short length in stock, 2 to 7 yards, desirable for waists, skirts, dresses, best weaves and patterns in imported and domestic. **½**

50c for all $1 black goods remnants.
75c for all $1.50 black goods remnants.
$1 for all $2 black goods remnants.
$1.50 for all $3 black goods remnants.
$2 for all $4 black goods remnants.
25c yd. waist lengths, 1¼ to 2½ yds.

Reducing women's and misses' coats, suits.

500 misses' and children's coats all reduced from $10 and $8.75—coats in all sizes and colors, marked to close for this great rebuilding sale. Many silk and satin-lined, made of the finest materials, all well tailored, reduced to make room—a rare opportunity to save money—entire lot at one price, $5 **$5**

$3.75 for $6.75 value women's storm skirts.
$10 for women's storm coats in castor and black only.
$15 for new collarless coats, in black.
$25 for women's choice velour blouse coats.
$5 for $10 value satin-lined coats.
$10 for $20 value blouse walking suits.
$15 for stylish new short "Alexander" coats.
$20 for women's shopping suits, blouse effects.
$25 for $35 value women's imported cheviot blouse suits.
$7 for women's $12.75 handsome blouse suits.
$5 for women's $10 suits, excellent quality, odd sizes.
$19.75 for blouse suits in taffeta silks, very desirable.

Reducing the waists.

In order to adjust our stock to smaller space we reduce all the odd lots and broken lines to half and less—flannel, brilliantine, and wash waists—$3.50, $2.50 and $1.50 values all to close at $1.25, 95c and 75c. **75c**

$1.95 for odd lots of regular $3 flannel waists.
$1.45 for $2.50 brilliantine waists, pleats.
$1.25 for $2 heavy madras, vesting and pique waists.
$1 for $1.25 knitted golf vests, very special value.
$3.85 for $6 velvet waists, latest styles, very stylish.
One-quarter off on evening and black waists, $10 up.

Soiled pattern cloths.

Clearance of all odds and ends. Over 100 of the finest Scotch and Irish satin double damask cloths, 2 to 4 yard lengths, no napkins to match—in many of them the cost of making is 50% more, $6.50 value, $2.98. **$2.98**

45c for 75c soiled and odd huck and damask towels.
80c for $1 finest satin damask remnants, 2 to 3 yards.
10c for 15c drawn work finger bowl and glass doylies.
$1 for regular $1.35 extra size hemmed bed spreads.
12½c for odd and soiled huck and damask towels.
One-third off on all soiled centers, trays and scarfs.

Reducing the ribbons.

Vast lots of mussed and soiled ribbons, broken lines, etc., to be cleared out before building operations begin. Choice of 50c to 75c values at 19c. **19c**

5c for to 15c ribbon remnants.
10c for to 25c ribbon remnants.
15c for to 35c ribbon remnants.
19c for to 50c ribbon remnants.
39c for to 75c ribbon remnants.
75c for to $3 white sash ribbons.

Reducing embroideries.

The rebuilding operations make this event of added interest from a bargain standpoint. All sorts of insertions, galloons, bands, flouncings, etc., in 4 great lots, for this great reduction sale, at 89c, 19c, 9c and 5c. **9c**

69c for $1.50 value soiled skirtings.
69c for $2.00 quality soiled skirtings.
69c for $1.50 value soiled allovers.
69c for $2.00 quality soiled allovers.
$1.39 for $3.00 value soiled skirtings.
$1.98 for $5.00 value soiled skirtings.

Reducing the laces.

10,000 short lengths of wash and trimming laces to be closed out in this great sale at less than the original cost of making—handsome pcs. late popular designs included in great variety—vals. 15c to 40c—at 8c and 10c. **10c**

19c for 75c laces, galloons, etc., short lengths.
39c for short lengths laces, galloons, up to $1.50 value.
10c for 45-inch best French chiffons, 75c values.
69c for emb. shams, scarfs, Irish point, up to $1.98 vals.
5c for 25c Roman embroidery fichus and squares.

Dollar quality best satin foulards at 58c

Closing out, regardless of price sacrifice, a large quantity of high grade silks—200 pieces of pure silk satin foulards in plain and faconne effects. A complete color range in various up-to-date designs, including small, medium and large patterns, in one, two and multi-color printings, twenty-four inches wide. **58c**

59c for 36-inch natural Jap. wash silk, good value.
$3.50 for $5 48-inch all silk black Princess crepe.
50c for regular $1 quality black silk moire velour.
95c for $1.25 quality black peau de soie.
65c for 75c and 85c quality black taffeta silk.
50c for 75c striped and changeable wash taffeta.
50c for all silk liberty satins, choice, all colors.
$1 for $1.50 broken assortments novelty velvets.
$4.90 for $7.50 and $8.50 double width Paris silks.
25c, 50c and 75c for silk and velvet remnants.

Flannels and blankets.

All the accumulated ends from the pre-Christmas selling. Shrunk Scotch flannels—finest all wool novelty waistings—values to $1—at 48c, 85c and 19c. **19c**

19c for 30c white Saxony flannels.
50c for 75c silk emb. 4-4 white flannels.
$2.35 for $3 all wool white blankets.
85c for $1.25 cotton filled comforters.
39c for regular 50c soiled sheets.

After-Christmas clearing soiled handkerchiefs.

The immense holiday sales leave an aftermath of bargains in the greatest sale of mussed and soiled handkerchiefs ever held in this section. Thousands of handkerchiefs on sale at fractional prices, and all they need is laundering to make them as fresh and handsome as when brand new—all sorts of handkerchiefs to select from, from finest to least expensive grades, 3c, 8c, 12c up to 69c. **8c**

3c for women's pin-marked and soiled handkerchiefs.
8c for men's and women's soiled handkerchiefs.
12c for men's and women's 25c mussed handkerchiefs.
19c for men's and women's up to 50c soiled handkerchiefs.
39c for men's and women's 75c to 95c soiled handkerchiefs.
69c for men's and women's $1 to $2 soiled handkerchiefs.

50% off artwares, cut glass

Great annual after-the-holiday event—of greater interest than ever owing to necessity of stock reduction connected with our tearing-down operations. Discounts are deducted from former regular prices at time of purchase. **½**

50% off marble statuary, carved ivories, fine French clocks and sets, rich enamels, bric-a-brac, etc.
33⅓% off English and French china, French and Vienna bronzes, cut glass, royal Vienna vases, etc.
25% off American cut glass, old Dutch silver, lamps and globes, vases, beer mugs, pedestals, etc.
20% off French and English open stock dinnerware.

Closing out odd china, etc.

The tearing down of the State street building demands the clearance of vast stocks of fine decorated china, novelty smokers' and liquor sets, wall plaques, etc., at immense reductions — all arranged on large tables for quick selling, 15c to $1. **15c**

15c for 39c cups and saucers, plates, fruit saucers.
15c for 39c cameo and painted plaques, ash trays, etc.
25c for wall plaques, vases, plates, candlesticks, etc.
50c for to $1.25 salad bowls, chocolate pots, etc.
50c for to $1.25 Bohemian motto glasses, etc.
$1 for to $2.50 vases, candlesticks, etc.

Reducing the gloves.

A great clearance of women's two clasp, glace, dressed kid gloves—mussed and soiled pairs, desirable, well wearing gloves for quick selling at, pair, 59c. **59c**

25c for odd pairs women's golf gloves.
50c for men's street gloves.
95c for $1.50 women's kid gloves.
50c for Kayser golf gloves.
69c for men's unlined glace gloves.
25c for women's black cashmere gloves.

Reducing the silverware.

That silverware event when the odds and ends left over from the Christmas stocks are sold at prices that scarcely cover the cost of production. This year the demands of the tearing down season soon to come make greater price reductions for quick clearance necessary, 45c, 21c and 10c. **10c**

10c for silver and ebony cuticle knives, shoe horns, etc.
10c for silver and ebony tooth and nail brushes, etc.
21c for silver tooth brush and powder bottles, etc.
21c for silver salve jars, blotters, etc.
45c for silver nail files, paper knives, etc.
45c for silver button hooks, glove darners, etc.

Toys 25%, 33⅓% & 50% off.

Great price reductions of the after-Christmas sale on the most popular selling toys of the season—a vast increase in value out of your money—every toy reduced in price from 25%, 33⅓% to 50%. **½**

Hobby horses, skin covered, cabriolets with horses, mechanical tin trains, steam toys, china dinner sets, horses and wagons reduced 25 per cent.

Doll houses, theaters, meat shops, grocery stores, doll's linen closets, animals reduced 33⅓%.

All slightly shopworn goods on special tables and reduced 50 per cent.

Clearing 10,000 yds. tapestries and damasks.

Extraordinary price reductions upon an immense collection of rare tapestry materials, damasks and rich upholstery goods, including handsome silks and many Morris and liberty goods, over 10,000 yards of fabrics that have been selling all along at $1.25 to $2, marked to create a buying furore in this section at the phenomenally low price of 50c. **50c**

25c for regular $1.50 Morris velvets, great bargain.
15c for 50c to $1 English Morris cretonnes.
30c for 60c figured China silks, choice variety.
50c for $1.50 1¼ yd. pcs. fine tapestries and damasks.
$1.75 for $3 genuine India embroidered table covers.
$6.50 for $10 silk hand embroidered Phulkaries.
$5 for $7 to $10 renaissance and point de Calais curtains.
$2.50 for $3.50 ruffled net curtains, fine nets, a variety.
$19.85 for $42.50 hand made Arabian lace curtains.
$5 for $8.75 renaissance bed sets, deep ruffles, good value.
$1 for $1.50 beautiful renaissance door panels.
Sash curtains, all styles and greatly reduced in price.

Reducing fancy goods

A great variety of novelties in fancy needle work, artistic creations, including the most popular sellers of the holiday season—all marked for great clearance at half the regular prices. **½**

$12 for hand embroidered center pieces.
$1 for choice beautiful scrap baskets.
$3 for round hand embroidered centers.
35c for fine silk sofa cushion tops.
$2.50 silk mantel or piano drapes.
$2.50 choice silk sofa cushions.

$4 to $6 men's and women's union suits, $1.85

Some 150 dozen men's and women's Union Suits in wool, silk and wool and several other mixtures, all strictly "firsts," not seconds, embracing every popular style and color—priced at about ¼ of their real value, former prices $4.00 to $6.00 each—for this great clearance event at $1.85. **$1.85**

59c for men's $1.00 merino shirts and drawers.
$1.00 for $1.50 ladies' silk mixed vest—long sleeves.
$1.00 for $1.50 ladies' pure wool vest—all colors.
39c for regular 50c heavy cotton vests and pants.
75c for $1.50 fancy lisle hosiery—25 good styles.
50c for 75c and $1.00 fancy lisle hosiery—25 styles.
75c for fancy silk plaited opera hose, choice value.
35c for 50c fast black hosiery—several good styles.
25c for regular 50c fancy and black hosiery.
18c for 35c fancy and black hosiery, good value.
15c for 30c children's black hosiery, desirable patterns.
15c for 25c children's cashmere hose, excellent grades.

Reducing the jewelry.

The after-Christmas clearing is always of great interest to the careful buyer—this year the reductions are greater than ever, due to the rebuilding operations soon to begin. Prices are in many instances less than the actual cost to manufacture, 19c to 89c. **19c**

19c for to 50c link buttons, bracelets, etc.
19c for 50c hat pins, belt pins, etc.
39c for 75c to 95c brooches, silver bracelets, etc.
39c for 75c to 95c link buttons, hat pins, etc.
89c for $1.50 and $1.25 brooches, belt pins, etc.
89c for $1.25 and $1.50 chains, bracelets, etc.

Clearance trimmed hats.

A large collection of beautiful dressed hats in a variety of stylish shapes, trimmed with lace, ostrich and fancy feathers—the foundations in all are made of fine velvet in white and all colors—hats that sold up to $18, choice now only $5. **$5**

Half off all our imported New York hats.
$1 for up to $7 stylish ready-to-wear hats.
$1 for $3.50 imported fur felt hats, all colors.
Half off all fancy feathers, birds and wings.
Half off all black ostrich plumes—choice values.
10c for up to $1.50 fancy feathers and flowers.

Reducing the corsets.

Desirable corsets for those who do not like the extreme straight front styles. Bias gored hip, genuine whalebone filled, made in the finest Italian cloth in black, white and drab in French coutil. Reduced from $5.75 and $4.50 to $1. **$1**

$1 for $2.75 Her Majesty corsets.
$1 for embroidered novelty corsets.
$1 for latest straight front corsets.
$1 for American Lady corsets.

Reducing undermuslins.

1,500 hand made and domestic corset covers, drawers, skirts, chemises and gowns—all handsomely trimmed with fine lace embroidery, beading, drawnwork and French tucking, all marked regardless of value—$1.50 and $2.50 values all at 89c. **89c**

49c for up to $1 soiled sample undermuslins.
$1.29 for up to $3.50 soiled surplus undermuslins.
50c for $1 and $1.50 children's silk bonnets.
25c, 45c and 85c for up to $1.50 infants' dresses.
25c and 45c for up to $1 children's and misses' aprons.
39c for 65c eiderdown and flannelette dressing sacques.

Reducing men' shoes.

A chance for men who pay high prices for their shoes and who think that only $12 to $14 custom hand shoes are the proper kind. Shoes made as carefully and guaranteed to fit as well and wear as long as though made to order, none reserved, all to go at $4. **$4**

The assortment is very large and includes men's box calf double soled cork filled shoes in four different lasts, waterproof as shoes can be made.

French calfskin one and one-half double soles.

Imported patent leathers, in lace and button with mat calf stop, light and medium soles, cloth top.

DEATHS.

Marriage or death notices will be cabled, in connection with the regular rates, for publication in the Paris edition of "The New York Herald if advertisers so request, by writing on their notices when handing them in, "Cable to the New York Herald European edition."

Aitken, Lillie. Mahoney, Cornelius.
Ahearn, Lizzie. Morse, Marcellus A.
Bostad, Christian. Montgomery, Louis S.
Buggie, Edward. O'Donnell, Miles.
Coller, Matilda. O'Brien, J. F.
Curtin, Honora. Popp, Arthur.
Cvertar, Anora. Russell, Ethel.
Carpenter, James P. Sheehan, Margaret.
Davis, Jane. Schroff, E. H.
Faust, Albert. Soderstrom, Herbert.
Grant, Irving. Spencer, Mary Camp.
Keating, Nora. Stern, Benjamin E.
Haven, Arthur Chas. Week, Emilie.
Lenhart, Philip G. Williams, Augustus D.
Litchfield, Charles F.

AITKEN—Lillie, wife of A. W. Aitken, 2214 Harrison-st. Funeral notice later.

AHEARN—Lizzie, daughter of Mary Hurley and the late Edward Ahearn. Funeral notice later.

BOSTAD—Christian, aged 42 years; husband of Ingeborg. Funeral Dec. 26, at 1 p. m. from 158 N. Spaulding-av., by carriages to Mount Olive.

BUGGIE—Edward, husband of Bridget Buggie. Funeral Dec. 26 from 146 E. 18th-st., by carriage to Calvary.

COLLER—Matilda, wife of Alfred Collier, 5133 Dearborn-st. Funeral notice later.

CURTIN—Honora, widow of the late Daniel Curtin. Funeral today at 9 a. m. from 512 W. 12th-st. to Holy Family church, thence by train to Calvary.

CVERTAR—Annora, Dec. 24, at 512 W. 12th-st. Funeral notice later.

CARPENTER—James P., Dec. 23; son of Anson and Helen Carpenter. Funeral Dec. 26 at 9 a. m. from 3627 Parnell-av., to Nativity church, thence by carriage to Mount Olivet.

DAVIS—Jane, widow late Wm. Davis, aged 60 years. Funeral at 250 So. Ashland-av., La Grange, Ill., Friday, Dec. 26, 1 p. m.

FAUST—Albert, Dec. 23; husband of Barbara Faust. Funeral today at 2 p. m. from 712 Ormsby-av., to St. Boniface.

GREEN—Irving, Dec. 23, aged 5 years; son of J. F. and A. F. Green. Funeral today at 2 p. m. from 59 N. 31st-av., to Forest Home.

HAVEN—Arthur Chas., aged 6 months 1 day, son of Chas. M. and Marbelle Haven Buchanan. Funeral private Friday p. m., 1396 Sheffield-av.

KEATING—Nora, aged 11 years, daughter of Michael and Anna Keating. Funeral today at 8:30 a. m., from 922 50th-st., to Church of the Visitation, thence by train to Mount Olivet.

LEHMAN—Phillip G., Dec. 24, aged 41 years. Funeral Friday, Dec. 26, at 10 a. m., from Poehler's chapel, 3229 Ogden-av., by carriages to Concordia.

LITCHFIELD—Charles F., husband of Emma Litchfield, at Spokane, Wash., Dec. 20, 1902. Funeral services Friday, Dec. 26, at 1 p. m., from late residence, 6633 Kimbark-av., Chicago. Burial at Oakwoods.

MAHONEY—Cornelius. Funeral Dec. 26 from Grand-av. and Sangamon-st., to Forest Home.

MONTGOMERY—Louis S., Dec. 21, aged 72 years; husband of M. Edith Montgomery. Funeral Dec. 24, from 317 W. Monroe-st., by carriage to Forest Home.

MORSE—Dec. 22, Marcellus S. Morse, aged 68. Father of W. E. and W. A. Morse and Mrs. C. F. Crane. Funeral at residence of his daughter, 915 Forest-av., Birchwood, at 11 o'clock Thursday.

O'DONNELL—Miles, Dec. 23, aged 80 years, son of John and Bridget O'Donnell. Funeral today, at 9:30 a. m., from 51 Cherry-av., to St. Mal-achy's church, thence by carriage to Mount Carmel.

O'BRIEN—J. F., husband of Emma O'Brien, passed away Dec. 24, at 9:30 a. m., from 41 Johnston-pl. to St. Sylvester's church, thence by carriage to Calvary.

POPP—Arthur, aged 8 months, twin son of John A. and Amelia Popp. Funeral today, at 1 p. m., from 1070 N. Lawndale-av., by carriage to Concordia.

RUSSELL—Ethel, aged 3 years, and Josephine, aged 6 years, children of Timothy and Agnes Russell. Died Dec. 24, at 10 a. m., from 1790 N. Oakley-av.

SHEEHAN—Margaret, aged 3 years, daughter of Officer William P. and the late Kate Sheehan. Funeral Dec. 26, at 10 a. m., from 6635 Drexel-av., by carriage to Mount Olivet.

SCHROFF—E. H., Dec. 23, aged 82 years, husband of Theresa Schroff. Funeral notice later.

SODERSTROM—Herbert, 5 days old. Burial Dec. 26 from 1168 W. Division-st.

SPENCER—Mary Camp Spencer, wife of the late Hamilton Spencer, born at Sackett's Harbor, N. Y., Feb. 18, 1819, died Dec. 19, 1902, at residence of her daughter, Mrs. John C. Scovel. Funeral at 10:30 a. m. Friday at 883 Winthrop-av., Edgewater. Burial at Bloomington, Ill., Dillon, N. Y., papers please copy.

STERN—Benjamin E., Dec. 23, aged 36, beloved son of Hanna and Nathan Stern. Funeral Thursday morning, Dec. 25, to Waldheim. Burial private.

WEEK—Emilie, Dec. 23, aged 23 years, wife of Oscar Week. Funeral today, at 12:30 p. m., from 48 W. 12th-st., to Graceland.

WILLIAMS—Dec. 22, at Canandaigua, N. Y., Augustus D. Williams, aged 69 years. Notice of services hereafter.

OFFICIAL DEATH RECORD.

THE FOLLOWING BURIAL PERMITS WERE issued yesterday by the health department:

Jones, Jane, 72, 500 Congress-st., Dec. 22.
Wood, Stephen, 35, 4825 Elizabeth-st., Dec. 12.
Fisk, Honora, 55, 512 W. 12th-st., Dec. 23.
Fisk, Honora, 55, 512 W. 12th-st., Dec. 23.
Fisk, Marie, 68, 7116 Lafayette-av., Dec. 23.
Fisk, Mary, 93, 7116 Lafayette-av., Dec. 23.
Foley, Mary, 93, 703 W. 22d-st., Dec. 22.
Foszard, Andrew, 51, 1175 W. Taylor-st., Dec. 22.
Fox, Isaac, 68, Sublette-av., Dec. 22.
Fox, Isaac, Sophia, 9, 285 Mohawk-st., Dec. 22.
Frank, Jane, 89, 3250 S. Paulina-st., Dec. 23.
Frank, Mary, 40, 670 North Leavitt-st., Dec. 23.
Franzen, Jennie, 32, 587 Ashland-av., Dec. 23.
Fernandez, Frank, 52, Presbyterian hospital, Dec. 23.
Green, Irving C., 5, 36 N. 51st-ct., Dec. 23.
Green, Joseph, 67, 826 Blue Island-av., Dec. 24.
Greer, Malinda, 63, 363 24th-st., Dec. 23.
Grenzel, Frances, 37, 1035 N. Wayne-av., Dec. 23.
Grigsby, Sophia, 50, 646 Carroll-av., Dec. 21.
Grohm, Nels, 40, 36 Cleveland-av., Dec. 21.
Grosser, Elizabeth, 76, 362 Hamilton-av., Dec. 22.
Grubb, Melvey Lottie Hodges, 26, 3127 Prairie-av., Dec. 21.
Guilfoyle, Gordon, Minnie Smith, 27, 2027 Calumet-av., Dec. 21.
Gumaer, Jay Pratt, Elisabeth A. Ashling, 36, 221 Dearborn-st., Dec. 21.
Gunther, Otto C. Haefner, Georgia Venning, 26, 3458 Michigan-av., Dec. 24.
Haas, Albert Doberstein, Jessie Campbell, 21, 118 Michigan-av., No. 229, Dec. 24.
Hackett, Martin Zima, Katie Gavura, 21, 1020 Throop-st., Dec. 24.
Hagan, Charles Carlson, Clara Hiestermann, 30, 24 Division-st., Dec. 24.
Hall, Stephen E. Speleo, Elisabeth C. Leta, 25, 1411 Indiana-av., Dec. 21.
Hamilton, John C. Switzer, Belia Hoff, 22, 1006 S. Leavitt-st., Dec. 22.
Hamilton, Augustus J. Hagan, Leola Taylor, 27, 25 Cornelia-pl., Dec. 24.
Hamilton, Joseph M. Horsley, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Cora Madigan, 30, 2263 N. Clark-st., Dec. 22.
Hamilton, Robert Eagar, Martha E. Daniels, 27, 3127 Prairie-av., Dec. 21.
Hamm, Bert F. Rogers, Leone M. Spengler, 20, 2922 Michigan-av., Dec. 22.
Hammond, Joseph A. Vachon, Lee N. Hancock, 37, 56 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Henry T. Mennel, Helen Brinkman, 23, 2963 Shakespeare-av., Dec. 23.
Hanchett, Joseph Smahl, Ida Cohen, 24, 23 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Edmund Munroe, Clarence A. Hahn, 18, 1411 Indiana-av., Dec. 21.
Hanchett, John R. Peters, Rose Beal, 48, 50 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Charles Kittrell, Alice McCurdy, 23, 2922 Michigan-av., Dec. 22.
Hanchett, Walter Beecham, Inez Bacon, 28, 56 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Leopold Newman, Annie Rubenstein, 26, 31 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Anton Witzhum, Pontiac, Ill.; Lena Ward, 25, 2922 Michigan-av., Dec. 22.
Hanchett, Mathias Neuberger, Helen Appel, 36, 36 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, George M. Mather, Mary Otto, 32, 32 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Augustus Kuehn, Canterville, Ind.; Catherine Rustin, same, 23, 32 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Paul W. Belding, Sadie Davies, 30, 30 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Alexander Bell, Rose Grum, Long Point, Ill., 23, 19 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Henry Krause, Rondout, Ill.; Louise Hathaway, Lemont, Ill., 23, 2 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.
Hanchett, Joseph E. Smith, Pekin, Ill.; Delia F. Stroge, same, 36, 20 Dearborn-st., Dec. 24.

OFFICIAL WEATHER FORECAST.

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF WEATHER BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday:

Illinois—Fair Thursday, colder in south portion. Friday fair, continued cold, brisk to high north winds.

Ohio—Fair, colder Thursday with a cold wave, except snow in northeast portion, brisk to high west winds. Friday fair and continued cold.

Indiana—Fair, colder Thursday, cold wave. Friday fair, brisk to high northwest winds.

Lower Michigan—Snow Thursday, with a cold wave, colder in east portion. Friday fair, continued cold, high west winds, diminishing Thursday night.

Upper Michigan—Cloudy Thursday, with snow in north portion, much colder with a cold wave. Friday fair, high northwest winds, diminishing Thursday night.

Wisconsin—Fair Thursday, continued cold, colder in northeast portion. Friday fair, continued cold, brisk northwest winds.

Minnesota—Fair, continued cold Thursday. Friday, increasing cloudiness and warmer, probably snow in north and west portions, fresh to brisk north winds Thursday.

Missouri—Fair Thursday, colder in south portion. Friday fair.

Iowa—Fair, continued cold Thursday. Friday fair, warmer in west portion.

Place of observation.	Thermometer.	Max. temp.	Direction of wind.	Precipitation 24 hours.	State of weather.
Time taken:					
Dec. 24, 8 p. m.					
Abilene	42	50	N.	....	Clear
Albany	18	20	N.E.	....	Clear
Alpena	30	32	S.W.	.02	Cl'dy
Atlanta	44	48	S.W.	....	Clear
Amarillo	40	46	S.E.	....	Clear
Battleford	16	10	Calm	....	Clear
Bismarck	8	2	N.W.	....	Pt. cl.
Buffalo	24	26	S.	.Tr.	Cl'dy
Boston	26	28	N.	....	Clear
Cairo	50	60	N.W.	.Tr.	Cl'dy
Calgary	8	14	S.E.	....	Cl'dy
Charlotte	36	38	W.	....	Cl'dy
Cheyenne	20	24	S.E.	.Tr.	Cl'dy
Chicago	10	32	W.	.20	Lt. sn.
Cincinnati	26	40	W.	.Tr.	Cl'dy
Cleveland	20	30	S.W.	.04	Snow
Concordia	16	26	S.W.	....	Cl'dy
Davenport	8	10	W.	.02	Clear
Denver	26	32	S.W.	....	Cl'dy
Des Moines	8	22	W.	.Tr.	Clear
Detroit	16	32	W.	.10	Snow
Dodge	36	42	N.E.	....	Clear
Dubuque	8	16	N.W.	....	Cl'dy
Duluth	4	28	N.	.16	Clear
El Paso	52	60	W.	....	Clear
Edmonton	4	12	S.	....	Clear
Galveston	58	62	E.	....	Clear
Grand Haven	18	36	W.	.38	Snow
Green Bay	12	24	W.	.26	Snow
Havre	2	2	N.E.	.02	Snow
Helena	12	14	N.	.42	Cl'dy
Huron	2	14	N.W.	....	Clear
Indianapolis	16	36	W.	.66	Pt. cl.
Jacksonville	48	56	N.	....	Clear
Kansas City	16	28	N.W.	....	Clear
Little Rock	40	46	W.	....	Clear
Los Angeles	54	76	W.	....	Clear
Marquette	22	30	N.W.	.20	Snow
Memphis	46	52	W.	....	Clear
Medicine Hat	2	6	W.	....	Cl'dy
Milwaukee	12	30	W.	.80	Snow
Minnedosa	0	6	W.	.02	Clear
Montgomery	48	54	W.	....	Clear
Montreal	8	8	N.E.	....	Cl'dy
Nashville	42	44	S.W.	....	Cl'dy
New Orleans	50	54	N.	....	Pt. cl.
New York City	32	32	E.	....	Cl'dy
Norfolk	32	36	N.	....	Clear
North Platte	14	24	W.	.Tr.	Clear
Oklahoma	40	44	N.	....	Clear
Omaha	20	30	W.	.Tr.	Cl'dy
Oswego	26	26	S.E.	....	Cl'dy
Palestine	56	62	S.	....	Clear
Parkersburg	40	42	S.W.	.06	Cl'dy
Philadelphia	30	30	E.	....	Cl'dy
Pittsburg	36	36	S.W.	.14	Snow
Pueblo	30	36	S.W.	....	Clear
Qu'Appelle	30	32	N.W.	.02	Clear
Rapid City	6	10	N.E.	.Tr.	Snow
San Francisco	54	56	N.W.	....	Pt. cl.
St. Louis	44	56	N.W.	....	Clear
St. Paul	4	6	N.W.	.06	Pt. cl.
Salt Lake City	42	50	S.E.	....	Pt. cl.
Ste. Anne de Jeau	22	22	S.	....	Snow
Ste. Marie	32	32	S.E.	.12	Snow
Springfield, Ill	14	34	N.W.	.Tr.	Clear
Springfield, Mo	30	34	S.W.	....	Clear
Vicksburg	50	54	S.E.	....	Clear
Washington	30	30	S.E.	....	Cl'dy
Wichita	36	38	S.	....	Cl'dy
Williston	14	8	W.	.12	Cl'dy
Winnipeg	14	4	N.W.	....	Clear

WEATHER IN CHICAGO.

The temperature as observed yesterday by L. Mantzes, optician, 88 East Madison street, was as follows: Thermometer—8 a. m., 32 degrees above zero; 9 a. m., 24; 10 a. m., 22; 11 a. m., 17; 12 m., 16; 1 p. m., 15; 2 p. m., 15; 3 p. m., 15. Barometer—8 a. m., 29.33; 6 p. m., 29.49.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS FILED FOR RECORD Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1902:

Oakley-av., 124 s Bertsen, e f, 50x124. Dec. 23 [M. O. Williams to Robt. Kaesberg] $ 1,300

Seeley-av., 200 s of Cornelia-st., w f, 25x124. Dec. 23 [G. W. Elder to Edward M. Barnard Jr.] 1,800

Mackinaw-av., 25 s of 107th-st., e f, 25x125. Dec. 4 [H. Grote to Franz Groth]

Union-av., 99 s of 102d-st., e f, 50x122. Dec. 8 [C. Tallon to James C. Mosher] 1,200

Halsted-st., 175 s of 78th, e f, 20x117½. Dec. 22 [M. Dunbar et al., by M. in C., to Chgo. Auburn Park Land Trust, by trustee] 1,728

Green-st., 320 s of 78th, e f, 40x124½. Dec. 22 [W. F. Schmeltz to Wm. Buchanan] 1,735

Peoria-st., 180 s of 78th, e f, 120x124½. Dec. 22 [M. W. Gardner et al., by M. in C., to same] 4,487

Halsted-st., 150 s of 78th, e f, 25x117½. Dec. 22 [M. Dunbar et al., by M. in C., to same] 1,731

Peoria-st., 50 n of 60th, w f, 25x124 8-10; Dec. 23 [T. J. Reddy to James Murray] 1,600

Garfield-blvd., 240 e of Peoria-st., s f, 30x124½. Dec. 23 [T. J. Reddy to James Murray] 3,700

Prairie-av., 222 n of 37th-st., w f, 16 88-100 ft, 104, inc. to 22, exc. to Moyne-av. [Merrill E. Gooday to Emma Fair] 4,800

Cornell-av., n e cor St. Johns-pl., s f, 21 ft 11 in x123. Dec. 22 [Chas. S. Wood to Nathan E. Wood] 4,000

Mosart-st., n w cor Thomas, e f, 50x125¼. Dec. 22 [W. Pfeifer to Alvina Schultz] 1

Robey-st., 24 n of Lusbeck, e f, 24x100. Dec. 15 [M. Pollach to John Radziszewski] 1,425

Rhine-st., 50 n of Grunsfeld, e f, 25x125. Dec. 23 [R. S. Brusch to Alvina Miller]

Pine Grove-av., 260 s of Waveland, w f, 150x225. Dec. 15 [Ernst Stock to Geo. F. Braun] 22,000

Wood-st., 141 n of 87th, w f, 25x125. Dec. 20 [F. Pehling to Clinton Gilmore] 1,000

Rogers Park, S. 751 L 1 and 2, Sub L 18 to 24, S 35. Dec. 8 [C. Strover to Paul Ruske]

Wentworth-av., e cor 77th-st., s f, 50x121½. Dec. 19 [F. McClellan to David G. Hamilton] 2,500

Center-av., w cor 74th-pl., e f, 150x125. Nov. 29 [C. Holmes to Edwin F. Meyer] 7,500

Drexel-av., 200 s of 63d-st., w f, 25x124. Dec. 23 [S. A. Allyne to Herbert Hammond] 3,600

63d-st., s e cor Marshfield-av., e f, 228x126. Dec. 18 [Jos. Jenks to Chas. Wagner] 1,250

Champlain-av., 158 s of 45th-st., e f, 35x175. Nov. 15 [Fredk. T. Croxon to David E. Ritter] 2,300

Armour-av., 474 s of 44th-st., e f, 25x110. Dec. 23 [M. Hotzfeld to Milton F. Robinson] 14,000

47th-st., 73 w of Bishop, s f, 48x125. Dec. 23 [C. S. Woolcraft to Fred. H. Brown] 1,800

Dearborn-st., 78 s of 36th, e f, 20x123. Dec. 20 [Mary A. Easley to Alice B. Chappell] 2,000

Lawndale-av., 200 s of 25th-st., w f, 50x124. Dec. 23 [F. De St. Aubin to Wm. H. Davis] 2,000

18th-pl., 24 e of Johnston-av., n f, 24x100. Dec. 15 [J. Yampolsky to Samuel Sugar] 2,000

Kedzie-av., 175 s of 87th-st., e f, 25x124.83. Dec. 22 [A. G. Walter to James F. Smith] 1,000

Humboldt-st., 141 s of Jackson-e f, 25x125. Dec. 4 [C. G. King to Ida M. Cumming] 6,000

Christiana-av., 100 s of Hirsch, w f, 25x125. Dec. 15 [T. M. Witherell to Luella C. Cannon] 1,000

Washington-av., 176 w of S. 41st-av., n f, 25x180. Dec. 20 [H. O. Johnson to James O'Brien] 1,600

Fulton-st., 79 s of S. 51st-av., n f, 26.49 x180, May 1 [F. N. Derby to Jerome W. De Wett] 1

Rokeby-st., 183 s of Armitage-av., w f, 24x125. Dec. 11 [J. Reeve to Marian Durasi] 1,000

Same pty. Dec. 15 [M. Durasi to Knut Knutsen & Co.] 1,000

Western-av., No. No. 1771, 25x125, Dec. 8 [P. Ruske to Carl Strover] 4,500

Prairie-av., 177 n of 30th-st., e f, 22x125. Dec. 23 [T. Joyce Jr. to Emma L. Joyce] 1

E. Ravenswood Pk., 224 s of Grace-st., w f, 25x106. Nov. 17 [H. Dinse to Chas. A. Harter] 2,200

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Artesian-av., 275 s of Dunning-st., w f, 26x125. Aug. 27 [Magnus Sundene et al. to Emil Sundene]

Same pty., incumb. $1,200. Dec. 16 [Emil Sundene to Andrew Sundene]

Rogers Park, S. 1 to 5 inclusive, $5,000. Dec. 22 [Orlando J. Buck to Augusta L. Simpson

Prairie-av., 125 s of Central Park-av., s f, 25x124. April 24, 1899 [The First Swedish B. and L. Assn. of Chicago to Agnes L. Carpenter]

Park-av., 150 n of Washington-st., w f, 50x123, Dec. 1 [Augustus H. Hartman to F. Jay Gardner]

Ohio-st., 75 e of Armour, s f, 25x125, Dec. 22 [J. Johanson to John Henrickson]

Sangamon-st., 125 s of Monroe, e f, 25x118. Dec. 23 [M. A. Doyle to Frank Hayes]

Sangamon-st., 150 s of Monroe, e f, 33x118. Dec. 23 [Mary Doyle to Frank Hayes]

20th-st., 146 e of Hoyne-av., s e f, 24x100, Dec. 23 [J. Jandos to Prokop Simandl]

53d-pl., 200 w of Stewart-av., s f, 25x125. Dec. 15 [A. Mulherin to Fred M. Bloom]

Dearborn-st., 24 s of Johnston-av., n f, 25x100. Jan. 26, 1899 [S. Schlatt et al., by M. in C., to Investors' L. and B. Assn.]

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Will build for reliable tenants.
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4062 Artesian-av., 8r. frame house, 25 ft. lot.....

3731 Ellis-av., 10 room, frame, brick foundation, lot 40x100.....

2035 Emerald-av., 2 story brick store and 3 flats, 22 ft. lot.....

S. w. cor. 52d and Emerald, 2 story double frame house, on lot 40x123.....

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6945 S. May-st., 2 story brick and frame store and flats, lot 25x125.....

7043 S. Morgan-st., 2 story frame, 2 flats.....

8823 S. Morgan-st., 2 story frame 8 r. house, lot 30x125.....

1685, 92-pl., Ellis-av., 2 room frame cottage, on lot 25x125.....

5670 Normal-av., 2 story 6 room frame res., on Peck foundation, 25 ft. lot.....

530 Root-st., near Wallace, 2 story brick store and flats on lot 20x124; price.....

2940 S. Park-av., 2 story frame house, lot 32x110; price.....

6105 Washington-av., modern 2 story frame res., on 97th-st.; price.....

3636 Armour-av., good 2 story 2 flat building, 27 ft. lot.....

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Oakwood-blvd, near Grand, 148x134, at.....

Grand-blvd, near 40th-st., 85x128.....

Butler-st., 75th-st., lot.....

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California-av., near 72d-st., 7 lots, all for.....

47th-st., Parkway-av., lot 50x125.....

N. e. cor. 95th and May-sts., 25x125.....

Union-av., near 34th-st., 1 lot.....

Wabash-av., near 74th-st., lot 40x120.....

Yates-av., near 62d-st., 1 lot.....

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Kimbark-av., 12 r., stone, choice surroundings.....

1811 Prairie-av., 3 story house and stable.....

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PRICE $250,000; LEASE 21 YEARS.
$11,000 CASH; MORTGAGE $125,000, 5 YRS., 4½%.
Splendidly constructed modern 6 flat bldg.; east of Drexel-blvd.; solid gray stone front, marble vestibule, enamel brick and limestone in hardwoods, beautiful location; street paved with asphalt; 50 ft. lot, with alley on 2 sides; will be leased to high class tenants. One of the best investments ever offered in first class property.
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This property will sell for $100 ft. in the near future.
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To North Dakota for rich farm lands; $4.50 to $12.50 per acre; excellent for stock and grain; big crops; new car fare at our Chicago office, 205 Tacoma Bldg., Madison and La Salle-sts., and Mandan, North Dakota. Excursion Dec. 29th. Crowds are going for the last of the FREE HOMESTEADS and to buy our lands adjoining. Our lands at your prices; 75,000 acres. Bring your colonies to us.
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Deutschland.Mar. 10, 9 am|Minn'polis.Apr. 28, 10 am

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*Trave ....Jan. 7, 11 am|†Neckar ....Feb. 21, noon
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Umbria [new twin screw].....Jan. 10|Feb. 14
Ivernia [new twin sc.].....Jan. 17|Feb. 21
Lucania .....Jan. 24|Feb. 21
Etruria .....Jan. 31|Feb. 28
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Min'polis...Dec. 27, 4 pm|Manitou ...Jan. 17, 9 am
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By express S. S. AUGUSTE VICTORIA, leaving N. Y. Feb. 8, '03, for Madeira, Gibraltar, Malaga, Algiers, Genoa, Riviera, Syracuse, Malta, Greece (3 ports), Constantinople (Bosphorus, Black Sea), Beyrouth, Jaffa, Caifa, Alexandria (Cairo), Messina, Palermo, Naples, Genoa, New York. Duration, 77 days; cost $350 and up.

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Janesville, Madison..... † 7:45 am † 1:05 pm
Mineral Point Division..... † 7:45 am † 1:05 pm
Rockford, Beloit, Janesville.* 8:20 am * 3:00 pm
St. Paul-Mpls. Day Exp..... † 9:00 am † 5:40 pm
Delavan, Wauwatosa, Merrill.. † 9:00 am † 9:25 pm
Madison & Prairie du Chien.† 9:00 am † 4:00 pm
Delavan-Beloit..... † 10:30 am † 5:40 pm
Rockford, Beloit, Janesville.. 2:00 pm † 1:45 pm
Ced. Rap., K. City, Dubuque* 2:00 pm † 1:45 pm
Delavan-Beloit..... * 3:00 pm † 9:25 pm
Green Bay, Portage..... 3:00 pm † 1:00 pm
F. du Lac, Oshkosh-Ripon... † 3:00 pm † 9:25 pm
Wauwatosa, Merrill..... † 4:00 pm † 10:15 am
Mineral Point Division..... † 4:00 pm † 9:00 pm
Rockford ..... † 4:05 pm †10:25 am
Madison, Prairie du Chien... † 4:30 pm † 9:25 pm
N. Iowa, S. Minn., Dakota.. † 6:00 pm † 7:55 am
Omaha, Ct. Bluffs, Rockford, K.City, D. Moines & S. Falls. * 6:00 pm * 7:55 am
Janesville, Madison..... * 6:00 pm * 1:05 pm
St. Paul, Minneapolis—The Pioneer Limited..... * 6:30 pm * 9:30 am
C. Rapids, K. City S'x City.†10:25 pm †10:55 pm
N. Iowa, S. Minn., Dakota...†10:25 pm †10:55 pm
Omaha, C. Bluffs, Denver...†10:25 pm †10:55 pm
Green Bay, Iron Mountain, Higbton, Calumet, Mara. * 10:30 pm * 7:00 am
The Copper Country Lim. St. Paul, Minneapolis..... *10:30 pm * 7:00 am
Wausau, Minocqua & Rhinelander..... 10:30 pm * 7:00 am
For Milwaukee—Depart, *7:00, *9:00, †11:30 a. m.; *5:00, *6:30, *10:30 p. m.

ILLINOIS CENTRAL—ALL THROUGH TRAINS from Central Station, 12th-st. and Park row. Trains for the south (except fast mail) can be taken from 22d-st., 39th-st., Hyde Park, and 63d-st. stations. 59 Adams-st., and at the Auditorium Hotel. Leave. Arrive.
N. Orleans, Memphis Special.*10:00 am * 9:45 pm
Coaches only for Memphis, Jackson, Vicksburg, Meridian, Shreveport, Nashville and Florida.. † 5:25 pm *12:05 pm
Limited, Pullmans only, for Memphis, N. Orleans, Hot Springs, Ark., Nashville, and Florida..... † 7:00 pm *10:35 am
Montion, Effingham, Decatur.* 5:25 pm * 1:20 pm
St. Louis and Springfield. Diamond Special..... *10:15 pm * 7:35 am
St. Louis and Springfield. Daylight Special, Decatur. *11:32 am * 7:35 pm
Cairo Local ..... * 5:55 am * 6:00 pm
Decatur, Sprfd. & St. L. Local†10:00 am † 1:20 pm
Fast Mail—New Orleans..... * 2:50 am * 1:20 pm
Bloomington & Chatsworth.... † 5:25 pm † 1:20 pm
Bloomington & Chatsworth.† 5:25 pm *12:05 pm
Champaign & Gilman Local.... * 1:20 pm
Evansville ..... *10:00 am * 9:00 pm
Evansville, Cairo, and South.* 8:40 pm * 7:00 am
Kankakee and Gilman..... * 4:15 pm *10:00 am
Minneapolis & St. Louis..... * 6:30 am * 9:30 am
Omaha, San Francisco..... * 6:10 pm * 9:30 am
Dubuque, S'x City, S'x Falls.* 6:10 pm * 9:30 am
Omaha Day Express..... * 8:15 am * 5:40 pm
Omaha, S. City Fast Mail..... * 2:55 am * 7:00 am
Rockford Passenger..... * 2:10 pm *10:05 am
Rockford and Dubuque..... * 7:40 pm *12:55 pm

CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC RY.—Temporary passenger station, cor. Harrison-st. and 5th-av., during construction of new Van Buren-st. depot. City Ticket office, cor. Adams & Dearborn. Kas. City, Tex., Cal. & Mexico, via El Paso Short Line.* 2:25 pm *10:10 pm
Peoria & Rock Island Express.* 8:32 am *10:10 pm
Illinois and Davenport Mail.* 9:15 am * 7:50 pm
Des Moines and Minneapolis.* 9:15 am * 7:50 pm
Peoria, R. Island, Davenport.† 1:00 pm † 2:05 pm
Wash'n, Oskal'sa, D. Moines.† 9:15 am † 5:30 pm
Joliet Accommodation..... * 3:15 pm * 9:47 am
Joliet Accommodation..... * 4:30 pm *10:00 am
Cedar Rapids & Iowa Falls.* 2:30 pm * 2:05 pm
Joliet Exp.—Peru Accom.... † 5:10 pm † 8:47 am
Rocky Mt. Lim. to Omaha, Colo. Denver..... * 5:45 pm * 5:30 pm
K. City, St. Jos., Leavenw'th, Atc., Col. & Ft. W. Tex. Ex.* 6:00 pm * 9:40 am
Peoria, Davenport ..... *11:00 pm † 7:25 am
Big Five to Colorado, Utah and California, via Omaha.*10:00 pm * 8:20 am
C. Rapids, St. Paul & Minn..*10:00 pm † 7:25 am
Peoria, Davenport ..... *11:30 pm † 7:25 am
Kas. City, Atch., St. Joe, Des Moines, Omaha..... *11:30 pm † 7:25 am
Golden State Limited to Los Angeles, Santa Barbara and San Francisco..... * 7:45 pm *10:30 am

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TRANSCONTINENTAL "THE ONLY WAY."
* 9:00 am Bloomington, Peoria, Sp'field, St. Louis.
* 9:00 am Joliet, Dwight accom'n [Sunday only].
* 9:30 am Bloomington and Springfield.
*11:25 am Alton lim'd for Springfield & St. Louis.
*11:25 am Jacksonville and Roodhouse.
* 5:10 pm Bloomington & Springfield.
* 5:10 pm Lemont, Lockport & Joliet.
* 6:35 pm Joliet accommodation.
* 6:00 pm Kansas City & Peoria Limited.
* 9:00 pm Bloomington, Springfield and St. Louis.
*11:40 pm Midnight special, Springfield, St. Louis, Jacksonville, Kansas City.
*11:45 pm Joliet, Dwight, Streator & Peoria.
Trains arrive from Kansas City, Jacksonville, Bloomington, *8:55 am, *1:15 pm; St. Louis, Springfield, Bloomington, *7:15 am, *8:10 am, *5:04 pm, †8:05 pm; Springfield, Jacksonville, Bloomington, 11:15 pm, †8:05; Peoria, Streator, Dwight *7:15 am, *1:15 pm, †8:05 pm; Dwight, Joliet, *10:30 am, *5:00 pm; Joliet locals, †8:45 am, †4:30 pm, †7:45 pm.

WABASH RAILROAD—DEPOT, DEARBORN station, Polk and Dearborn-sts. Ticket office, 97 Adams-st. and 15 Jackson-st. Telephone—City office (except Sunday), Cent. 3046. Depot, H. 755.
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Superfluous Questions.

It was reported the other day that an elevator man had gone insane as a result of too much questioning. Of course in particular cases it would be difficult to decide how much natural temperament and physical conditions had to do with this misfortune, but the sanest mind must admit that insanity might lie that way. To be sure it is part of the duties of elevator men, floor walkers, and clerks to answer questions, and it is one of the wonders of the world that, as is true in most cases, they can do it so politely. Yet there is no doubt that some people put needless queries and that they often ask merely to save their own brains from thinking or to confirm a fact that really is not in need of confirmation. There must be days in the lives of these professional question answerers when, as a French writer puts it, "One's nature rolls itself up and becomes a hedgehog," and if one must not prick one's interrogators and is obliged to turn the quills inwards some fatality must result. An inquiring turn of mind is something to be coveted, but the perpetual putting of questions may become a matter of self-indulgence, to be deplored as every such habit must be.

The Popularity of Bazaars.

Charity covers a multitude of bazaars in these days, and many a public or private institution grows more prosperous through the sale of sofa pillows and sachet bags. Notwithstanding all the gibes that have been cast at the church fair it continues to prosper and to act as a formidable though short lived rival to the department stores. In many women the love of selling is as keen as that of buying, and their success in disposing of bazaar knickknacks and their exultation over these sales give one an understanding of the prosperity that would reign should women become merchants. And, although some men have been known to confess that they would rather become a target for bullets than to be brought face to face with the bazaar siren, still deep down in the hearts of some of them there is a real fondness for this easy method of money spending. They may not be in imperative need of fluted shaving paper or scented glove boxes, but they are willing to lay in a stock of these superfluities if thereby some suffering hospital patient may be made more comfortable. Some disbelievers in bazaars declare that they would prefer to give their money direct to the cause in question rather than have it filtered through pincushions and sachet bags, but some men are so constituted that it is easier to reach their hearts and their pockets by way of the bag, and that hearts and pockets have been reached in this way is abundantly proved by the growing popularity of the bazaar.

Wesley and Northwestern.

How fortunate it is that the particular year in which John Wesley happened to be born was the year 1703! If it had been any other year there would have been no bicentennial anniversary in 1903. And if there had been no bicentennial anniversary in 1903 the new administration at Northwestern university would not have had so good an opportunity to mark its advent by a celebration which will probably be national in its proportions. There are to be famous guests invited and interesting things done. In other words, we are to have personages and ceremonies. The installation of President James last October showed that if anybody understands how to use personages and ceremonies it is the man who is now making Northwestern a greater university than ever before. Of course the Mr. "Leckie" who is said by a morning paper to be a great historian "from Germany" may feel that neither his name nor his nationality is much appreciated in Chicago, but unfortunate incidents can be diplomatically surmounted, and Mr. Lecky, if he is invited, may well feel inclined to come to this part of the world. We shall then all have at least two reasons to be thankful. We shall see an impressive spectacle pass before our eyes with academic pageantry dictated not, as in Europe, by mere custom but, as is more possible in a newer continent, by taste and reason. And we shall see a university whose interests ought to be dear to Chicago playing the leading rôle of a great scene in a way which is consistent with its power and its resources, but which for some years its rulers have not attempted. For both reasons the Wesley bicentennial is welcome.

NOT A WARNING—A STATEMENT.

A competent statistician who had given Christmas a reasonable amount of attention would, no doubt, be able to predict with reasonable accuracy the number of persons who will be killed or injured this year in Christmas tree fires. He would also be able to predict the value of the property that will be destroyed. Such damages to persons and things seem to be accidental and incalculable. They are not altogether so. What is more subject to human volition and unforeseen circumstances than suicide? Yet suicide, not in individual cases but in the mass, seems to follow a certain more or less inflexible law. The number of people who will commit suicide in Devonshire, England, next year is, for all practical purposes, already known. The Christmas tree death is a phenomenon of a similar kind. It seems to result from individual and sporadic foolishness, but when the totals are figured up they are about the same per thousand of population every time.

It doesn't do much good to remind people of the fate of the nurse who last year in New York was burned to death in the presence of the children she was trying to entertain. Discussion in this matter results only in everybody's hoping that everybody else will give up being careless. We shall this year, no doubt, have almost as many adventurous candles, as many resinous trees, and as much inflammable imitation snow as we have had any year before. The purpose of these remarks is less to save people's lives than it is to prevent the survivors from saying that they didn't know that the thing they were playing with was loaded.

CHRISTMAS.

There are not many wars or rumors of wars disturbing the world this Christmas season. Although the public still is suffering some discomfort from recent industrial wars, most of the great strikes have been settled amicably. National wrangles are more generally adjusted by arbitration than ever before and disputes between labor and capital in the larger number of cases find their solution in the same manner. The world slowly but surely each year is nearing the era of "on earth peace, good will toward men," which was the dominant note of the angelic message to the shepherds.

Christmas is peculiarly a day of gladness. Being such, it is of necessity a day of generosity and unselfishness. Its generous character depends largely upon the general prosperity. As Christmas day this year comes in a season of unexampled prosperity people are proportionately generous and unselfish, consequently gladder than usual, and this gladness finds expression in the satisfaction of giving and the satisfaction of receiving, while business is satisfied with the exceptional volume of selling. The extent of this generosity is indicated by the crowded streets, the congested stores, the men and women laden with bundles. It matters little what the individual belief may be, the Christmas spirit is all abroad. Iconoclasts and doubters may claim that Christmas is but the survival of the feast of Yule or the saturnalia of Rome, but the Christmas sentiment is the same, and whatever the origin of the day, the Christian church has made it more beautiful with the angelic message it believes was heard upon the plains of Bethlehem.

There never was a time when more strenuous efforts have been made than now to put the Christian sentiment of peace and good will into material form, to increase the area of public charity, to extend education, to elevate the masses, to found and endow hospitals and asylums, to decrease crime, to extend the brotherly feeling, and to relieve the necessities of the poor. Good men and women are working everywhere to this end.

Christmas is essentially the day of the poor and the children, and there is every indication they will be remembered most bountifully this season, and to this extent all the world will come in Christmas touch. It will be a day of pleasant gatherings, kindly greetings, glad remembrances, and bountiful hospitality, perhaps a day of new hopes and new obligations of human sympathy, but most of all a day of gladness.

THE "CALVO DOCTRINE."

Something is being said now, apropos of the Venezuelan question, about the "Calvo doctrine." It is the dictum of a Latin-American writer on international law that where the courts of a country are open to a foreigner he must seek justice in them if he has been injured by the government of that country, or has not been protected by it against injury as he should have been, and that the country of which he is a citizen should not espouse his cause and intervene diplomatically in his behalf.

It would be a great thing for the so-called republics of Central and South America if they could succeed in having the doctrine recognized as a part of the law of nations. They would not be bothered by the demands of the representatives of foreign governments for justice for their subjects, as they are now. Foreigners could be thrown into prison on trumped up charges. Their property could be confiscated by the government or seized by revolutionists. When the representative of the United States, Great Britain, or some other country demanded compensation for injuries inflicted on persons entitled to his protection he could be told that the courts were open to him and that they could obtain redress there.

President Castro is a firm believer in the "Calvo doctrine." He has been telling foreigners who have claims against the Venezuelan government—which is himself—that the courts are open to them, now the revolution has been put down, and that the fearless and enlightened Venezuelan judges will decide their cases on their merits. The claimants are under the impression that if they went into court the judges would be in no haste to decide, and that they would not dare to give an opinion contrary to President Castro's wishes, for fear of being thrown into prison or at least thrown out of office.

The United States has not recognized the "Calvo doctrine." If it were to do so few Americans would be venturesome enough to carry on trade in most Latin-American republics or have any dealings with their governments.

THE HUMBERT AFFAIR.

The well informed Paris correspondent of London Truth throws some new light upon the colossal swindling said to have been practiced by the Humberts, who were arrested a few days ago at Madrid, and who will be returned to Paris shortly for trial, if the French authorities can muster up sufficient courage to try them.

When placed under arrest M. Humbert declared that if he were brought to trial he would make revelations rivaling those of the Panama scandals, and that all classes, from political ministers down, would be involved. Mme. Humbert also said she had documents which compromise prominent persons. Truth's correspondent confirms the statements. He says that the ministry of justice and the department of police and public safety are filled with her accomplices. When Mme. Humbert went to her country place her opera box was at the disposal of a judge, and when he could not use it he passed it on to other public functionaries. Seeing this intimacy her creditors took heart and not only refrained from pressing their claims but lent her more money. As to the extent of the frauds of Mme. Humbert, the correspondent says: "Altogether she must have made considerably more than $20,000,000. The money she borrowed and obtained through her life annuity insurance office is set down by the board of criminal investigations at $15,000,000. When one reflects that she has been at work for twenty-four years this sum ceases to appear incredible."

The length of time through which Mme. Humbert and her accomplices carried on their operations and succeeded in raising money upon a mythical twenty millions, supposed to be locked up in the Humbert safe, awaiting the result of the contest of the alleged will of an alleged dead millionaire, is not the least remarkable feature of this affair, which promises to be the leading scandal of the twentieth century. Already it appears that not only lawyers, deputies, magistrates, notaries, and government employés but ministers of state and high public functionaries may be involved. As a scandal it promises to outdo the Dreyfus and the Panama affairs, but the French people dearly love a sensation of this kind, and Paris will be gayer and livelier than ever when M. Humbert and Mme. Humbert and Mlle. Eva Marie d'Aurignac get back to town and open their budget of confidences.

THE NEED OF WATER METERS.

The city engineer repeats his statement that about three-fourths of the water pumped from the lake is wasted. He says if the wastage is allowed to continue the city will be continually building water tunnels and installing pumping engines. He estimates that it will cost about $600,000 a year to adhere to the present wasteful system. The city engineer's remedy for a state of affairs which, if it is anything like as bad as he says it is should not be allowed to continue, is the general introduction of meters. He says that with meters for only 40 per cent of the taps a much smaller amount of water than that pumped now will meet all the needs of the much larger number of people who will be living here ten years hence.

The suggestion that house owners shall pay for meters is one which will provoke so much opposition that it is useless to make it. The aldermen would not dare to irritate their constituents by putting such a tax on them. The city engineer does not court unpopularity by recommending that property owners be made to pay for meters. He recommends that the city install them, little by little. He says that if it were to put them in at the rate of 9,300 a year the saving for the first year would be $45,000, and by 1912 would be $900,000. If economies of this kind are possible they must not be neglected.

If the city should decide to put in meters the money with which to do it will have to be taken from the revenues of the water department. Its revenues are heavily mortgaged at this time owing to the expenditures on account of the extension of the water system and the construction of the intercepting sewers. When expenditures for these purposes have ceased, if not before then, the municipal authorities will have to give serious attention to the meter question. It is one which the prospect of an inadequate water supply is forcing on the attention of the city officials of New York. As a business proposition there is no question as to what Chicago should do. Instead of spending large sums yearly to increase a water supply most of which goes to waste, it should spend a comparatively small sum annually for a few years in order to make the present supply adequate for a long time to come.

It is the business of Christmas to do something to equalize the country's prosperity.

The Monroe doctrine is in no need of outside medical advice. It is its own M. D.

Those who have tried it say that starvation is one of the poorest methods ever devised for "driving out the lower nature."

It is a hopeful sign that more corporations are doing the Santa Claus act this year than ever before.

To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting: A Merry Christmas, both severally and in blanket form!

The new battleship Maine is ready to go into commission, and for those with whom Uncle Sam may have any future misunderstanding it will be a good ship to let alone.

If Miss Laura Biggar has a proper sense of gratitude she will try to keep her name out of the papers for the next few months.

The prevalent opinion is that the jury sized up Policeman Mahoney about right.

It should be mentioned to the credit of the teamsters' union that it is not making any attempt to dictate to the president of the United States as to the management of his home affairs.

The poets are actively engaged in zinging the "joy bells"—whatever the joy bells are.

There was no necessity for adding that the old soldier who stiffly refused a pension the other day was a Kansas man.

The University of Chicago may have complied with the time honored custom and hung up its stocking last night, but it wasn't really necessary.

IN A MINOR KEY.

Turned Into Tragedy.

A buzz of expectation pervaded the crowded audience room at this stage of the exercises.

Happy little children nudged each other and whispered:

"You'll see the old fellow pretty soon!"

The hastily improvised curtain arose, and the conventional personage with the long white hair and beard, who, as everybody knew, was behind it, began the customary little speech proper to the occasion.

Instantly a howl arose from the boys in the gallery.

"Put 'im out!" they shouted.

Alas, that it must be told! His acting of "Rip Van Winkle" was the worst that anybody in the audience had ever seen.

Not Forgetting the Office Boy.

With a face of the utmost gravity, amounting almost to sternness, but with a twinkle in his eye, the great merchant called the office boy to his desk.

"Henry," he said, "have I ever given you anything?"

"No, sir," replied the boy, wondering what was to come next.

"How long have you been working for us?"

"Six months, sir."

"Then you have been here long enough to know better than to leave that door open. If you do it again I shall have to give you a permanent vacation. That is all, Henry."

The Eternal Gradgrind.

The curly haired little boy came to his mother with trembling lip and with tears in his blue eyes.

"Mamma," he said, choking back a sob, "a big man that talked to us at Sunday school today says there's no such person!"

"No such person as who, dear?" asked his mother, putting her arm affectionately around him.

"Jack, the Giant Killer!"

One Heart Gladdened.

"Papa," said little Gladys, coming into his study, "there is a poor, hungry looking man at the door, and he wants to see you."

"Tell him to come in, my dear."

A moment later the caller was ushered into the room. He was a lean, cadaverous man, shabbily dressed, and had no overcoat. He looked around the richly furnished apartment, then at the pictures on the walls, and finally at the occupant of the luxurious easy chair.

At last he spoke.

"Mr. Grimes," he said, with a hollow cough, "Binkley & Co. want to know if it will be convenient for you to pay that ice bill this morning."

Her Grateful Acknowledgment.

"I hadn't expected this!" exclaimed the elderly spinster, with emotion. "I shall certainly have to send her something in return!"

Sitting down to her little writing desk she impulsively dashed off the following note to her distant relative:

"Miss Jane Squallop—Madam: You may have thought you had disguised your handwriting, but I recognized it the moment I saw the envelope, and I knew what it contained, even before I opened it. A woman that will wreak her spite against another woman by sending her a comic valentine is a despicable person, and all the meaner for doing it in such a sneaking, anonymous way. I have the honor to be, madam, yours with mighty little respect, Samantha Slabb.

"P. S.—The scrawny old maid with the corkscrew curls and long nose whose picture you send me looks a million times more like you than it does like me. S. S."

C. W. T.

LETTER OF MARQUISE DE FONTENOY

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It is a pity that royal personages in the old world are so reluctant to permit their ailments to become known, and insist on being described as "slightly indisposed" until they are in the throes of death, for it naturally serves to create great alarm when a monarch happens to be overtaken by some trivial ailment. Thus it would have been infinitely preferable to have stated from the outset what was the matter with Emperor Francis Joseph than to attempt to shroud the affair with a veil of secrecy which has contributed to give rise to the most exaggerated and disquieting stories as to his condition, some European papers even going so far as to describe him as dangerously ill and discussing the question of the succession to his throne.

The fact of the matter is that he has been suffering not from rheumatism, sciatica, or any of the other infirmities of age but from a mere local and trifling trouble from which only few who ride a great deal on horseback are exempt, and which has been cured by means of a slight operation.

If I mention this it is because it is generally becoming known that the septuagenarian emperor has been recently subjected to the surgeon's knife, and this, taken in conjunction with his seclusion at Schönbrun, might lead people to believe that he had undergone some sort of an operation of the grave character to which King Edward was submitted last summer.

Emperor Francis Joseph is quite well again now, and by the time that this letter appears in print will doubtless be once more in that saddle in which he is so much at home and in which he is accustomed to spend so many hours every day and in all kinds of weather. Indeed, he is still astonishingly vigorous and physically elastic for his age, and capable of enduring without turning a hair fatigue that would quickly exhaust a much younger man.

Lord Howe, who has been entertaining King Edward and Queen Alexandra at Gopsall, his place in Leicestershire, is only one of a large number of peers whose honors and estates are the subject of dispute and the object of legal proceedings. The principal claimant to the estates of Lord Howe, who is the head of the great house of Curzon, is an individual of the name of George Willis, who bases his pretensions on the allegation that the grandfather of the present earl was a supposititious child, and that, instead of being entitled to bear the name of Richard W. Curzon and in lieu of being the heir to that Curzon peerage subsequently transformed into the earldom of Howe of the present creation, he was merely the illegitimate child of a servant girl named Annie Oakes. The first Earl Howe of the present creation—that is to say, the one who is alleged to have been the son of a servant girl—was one of the handsomest men of his day, and occupied the post of chamberlain and lord-in-waiting to Queen Adelaide, consort of King William IV. and grandaunt, therefore, of King Edward. Rumor, indeed, insisted that the earl and widowed queen were secretly married, a story, however, for which there is no proof whatsoever, unless it be, indeed, the devotion of the earl to the queen.

The Curzons, at least the branch of which Lord Howe is the head, have royal blood in their veins, since the mother of the first Lord Howe was the daughter of King George I. of England and of that Countess Kilmansegg created by that sovereign countess of Darlington, and of whom Carlyle gives the following description:

"Big, staring black eyes, with rims of circular eyebrows like a coach wheel round its nave; black ethe eyebrows also; vast red face, cheeks running into neck; neck blending indistinguishably with stomach, a mere cataract of fluid tallow, skimmed over, and curiously bedizened according to Horace Walpole, who had seen her in his boyhood."

It was the grandson of this woman whose name is still held up to obloquy in the pages of English history who was the famous admiral, and while his features were the counterpart of his grandfather, King George, he has inherited the dusky complexion of his grandmother, the countess, thanks to which he was known by the sailors as "Black Dick." One of his brothers, Viscount Howe, served as brigadier general in the first American war and fell at Ticonderoga, while a third brother who succeeded him in the peerage had chief command of the British forces during the American war of independence from the time of the return of Gen. Gage. The next Lord Howe, "Black Dick's" grandson, was Queen Adelaide's chamberlain, whom I have described above as the handsomest man of his day.

Gopsall hall, where the present Lord and Lady Howe have been entertaining the king and queen, is one of the most remarkable show places in the united kingdom, and was built in the middle of the eighteenth century. It was at Gopsall as a guest there that Handel composed the "Messiah," and a great deal of Handel's original music is preserved there. The present Lord Howe is an uncle of the duke of Marlborough, and Lady Howe is famous as one of the most skillful whips in Europe. Another of Lord Howe's country seats is Penn house, near Amersham, in Bucks, and bordering on it is the Quakers' burial ground, called "Jordans," in which reposé the ashes of William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania.

Of course cases when the estates are at stake come up for trial in the ordinary courts of law, and it must thoroughly be understood that George Willis claims Lord Howe's property and not his titles, asserting that he is the rightful heir of that C. Jennings who built Gopsall hall, and who was the uncle of that Sophia Lady Howe who married the second Viscount Curzon, and whose son was the first Earl Howe of the present creation. This Sophia Lady Howe had three children, an elder son named George, who died at the age of 17, a daughter of the name of Marianne, and Richard, who became the first Lord Howe of the present creation. It is this Richard who, it is claimed, was a supposititious child, and, in the event of that contention being true, of course the Jennings estates would have reverted to the other heirs of the testator, of whom George Willis is the principal descendant.

With regard to the peerages which are contested, they are tried by the committee of privileges in the house of lords, which advises the crown on the subject. The first on the calendar is the Poulett case, in which the titled organ grinder will press his claims to the earldom, though, owing to the peculiar settlement of the estates, he has no hold on the latter, which are quite valuable.

Next on the list is the petition of Lord Mowbray and Stourton to be recognized as earl of Norfolk, while the countess of Yarborough and the countess of Powis, as the daughters and coheirs of the late Lord Conyers, claim the baronies of Darcy de Knayth, Fauconberg, and Meynill.

Fortunately these claims to peerages cost a tremendous lot of money to prove, and it is owing to this question of cost, I believe, that the Percys of Virginia do not push their claims to the earldom of Northumberland, of the creation of 1557. Indeed, the Virginian Percys are the only authentic bearers of that illustrious name, the present duke of Northumberland and his family being mere Smithsons.

PERSONAL.

Lord Kitchener spent most of his time on the voyage to India studying Hindustani.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford says he does not want to see an acre more added to the British empire.

William A. Craig, custodian, says 2,200,329 people have visited the top of the Washington monument since it was built.

Alexander McDonald, a rich man of New York, is endeavoring to purchase Abbotsford, formerly the home of Sir Walter Scott.

Father Robert Eaton of Farmington, England, has collected $65,000 in the United States for a church to the memory of Cardinal Newman.

About 800 patients have been wholly or partly cured since 1895 by the light cure treatment of lupus, discovered by Prof. Niels Finsen of Copenhagen.

Miss Gertrude Coghlan, actress, daughter of the late actor, Charles Coghlan, has her father's rare collection of desks, one being the gift of the prince of Wales, now King Edward.

Delicate Question.

An uptown church is to have a theater as an annex. How long will it take to turn the church into an annex to the theater?—New York Sun.

A LINE-O'-TYPE OR TWO.

CHRISTMAS CAROL.*

Words by Poets Pants.
Music by Dr. Dubbe. Op. 2, No. 37.

Out on the lawn the sparrows are singing,
"Christmas is here! Christmas is here!"
Like silver bells their sweet voices are ringing—
"Chistmas, dear Christmas is here!"

CHORUS (allegro ma non troppo).

Then carol, carol, carol, carol, carol all the day,
Imitate the sparrows and be musical and gay.
Carol, carol, carol, carol, let your voices ring,
Join our Christmas carol and we'll sing like anything.

[Repeat frequently.

*For sale at all hardware stores; price, 30 cents.

WELL, ladies and gentlemen, here's your white Christmas! When in need of anything try our Revised Internal Policy. It never fails.

ANSWERS FOR THE ANXIOUS.

George F. Baer—Thanks for coal.
Russell Sage—Thanks for check.
Hetty Green—Thanks for fur-lined overcoat.
T. R.—Thanks for bearskin rug.

DID you buy a ticket in a booze raffle? Every thirst cure in town is running one.

WHEN LOVE GROWS COLD.

In Superior court: Roma B. Snowball vs. Thomas H. Snowball; bill for divorce.

HORSE AND HORSE.

One year ago we chronicled in our columns the death of a good old sorrel horse that belonged to Irry Pasten. The exact date of this horse's death was Nov. 26, 1901. Irry had another sorrel horse, a very good match for the one that died. It is now our painful privilege to record the death of this second horse, the exact date of his death being Nov. 27, 1902, a year and a day since the death of the first.—La Salle (Ill.) Cedar Pointer.

DO you happen to know where the fire alarm box nearest to your house is located?

THE SEVEN POUND TURKEY.

A Christmas Story.

It was a beautiful white Christmas day. Happiness and good cheer, Christmas caroling, and plum pudding were on every hand.

In a little thatched cottage, well back from the village street, an aging man sat by a none too brilliant fire, staring moodily at the toe of his boot. It was plain that his thoughts were more or less far away.

Sounds of activity in the kitchen betokened that mother was preparing dinner, for which, however, neither had much heart. Presently mother entered the sitting room, wiping away a tear with the corner of her apron. Although her hair was snow white she still preserved signs of beauty. Fresh tears welled into her eyes as she beheld the companion of her joys and sorrows staring at his boot toe. She knew what was in his mind. And her words came as an echo of it.

"Ben," she said, in a broken voice, "Ben, it is fifteen years since our John went away, Fifteen years."

The old man ceased to regard his boot, and poked the fire hastily to conceal his emotion. Mother made no effort to conceal hers. The tears streamed down her still fair face.

"There, there," said the old man, putting an arm about her. "There, there; don't cry any more. Is dinner ready?"

"Yes, Ben," said mother. And they sat down to a seven pound turkey—much too large for their own needs.

"Will you have some of the——"

"Hark!" interrupted mother, in a strained voice.

The front gate had clicked, and sounds of footsteps echoed from the board walk.

The old man arose and went to the window.

"Can it be our John?" gasped mother, in tones of mingled hope and doubt.

The old man sized up the proposition at a glance.

"Yes," said he, turning sadly from the window. "Yes, it is our John, and our John's wife, and his wife's mother, and seven children. And we've only got a seven pound turkey. Why in Sam Hill didn't they send word they were coming?"

FOLLOWING the excellent example of Mr. Frick, we have granted an 8 per cent increase in wages to our staff correspondents.

A SPOOKFEST.

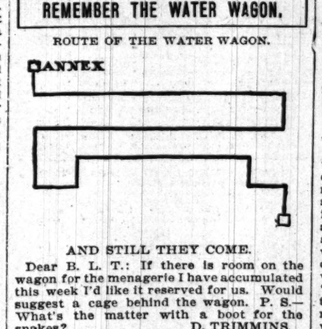
Monday about sixteen people from Grand Rapids broke in onto Prof. William Manners and surprised him in great shape. They were all spiritualists, and the evening was spent with a regular séance and the professor was given a good test.—South Bend (Ind.) Times.

BY the way, don't forget the janitor.

COMMUNICATIONS to the Council Chamber will be answered in the Line-o'-Type for Jan. 11.

REMEMBER THE WATER WAGON.

ROUTE OF THE WATER WAGON.



AND STILL THEY COME.

Dear B. L. T.: If there is room on the wagon for the menagerie I have accumulated this week I'd like it reserved for us. Would suggest a cage behind the wagon. P. S.—What's the matter with a boot for the snakes? D. TRIMMINS.

B. L. T.: Can I swing a hammock between the axles? I want to be near the ground. Last year I got an awful bump and was badly tangled up with the wheels—all kinds. G.

Dear Sir: I write to secure a place on the wagon. For reasons best known to myself would prefer to ride on the step. W. H. M.

Hopsandrye, Lincoln, Ill.—No; water wagon does not stop either on July 4 or Labor day. It's the ride of the year.

M. T. Juggs, O. F. Udge, and B. C. Heerful—Berths reserved as requested. Lower 18, 19, 20.

WATER WAGON TIME CARD.

Main Line to Health. Jan. 1, 1903.

	P. M.
Leave	
Auditorium Annex	12:00
Woman's Athletic Club*	12:05
Board of Trade	12:30
Woman's Temple†	12:50
Arrive	A. M.
Chicago Athletic Club†	1:00
Leave	
Chicago Athletic Club	2:00
Monroe and Dearborn	2:10
Madison and La Salle	2:15
Stock Exchange	2:30
Rector's	3:00
Vogelsang's	3:00

*Flag station; stops on signal only. †Stops to take water. ‡Overflow wagon attached.

AS it's a spring water wagon there is no danger of being jolted off.

MUST BE A BAD PENNY.

Al Penny will return to Marengo again.—Marengo (Ill.) Republican.

KEEP an eye on the candles.

NOTICE.

Following its usual custom on Christmas day THE TRIBUNE will print the most important news on the first page.

YOU can exchange it, you know.

SUCH IGNORANCE!

B. L. T.—Who is this Christmas Carroll? Is he a Dane or a Turk? BURKE.

PITY the poor ladies that have nothing to wear this cold weather except ballroom slippers and screen door stockings.

LITTLE Quentin will remain in the state dining room today only long enough to be shown the table. Then they'll show him the door.

ACCORDING to the Tingley idea this will be another red letter day for "our lower natures."

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and an old fashioned winter.

B. L. T.

The Revenge of Santa Claus

HE was a great, good man. You knew he was great because he wore his forehead in box plaits and never went out in the street without a silk hat and a gold headed cane. You could tell he was good by the fact that his Adam's apple projected so far out over his white lawn necktie. Not all good people have projecting Adam's apples, but all people with that peculiar anatomical development are good people.

He had a mission in life. It was to speak the truth always and under all circumstances, and to run down and utterly destroy everything which savored of a lie. He was, as it were, a moral specialist. He became a specialist because in that way you have less

HE HAD A MISSION IN LIFE.

competition, and in his particular line the competition was small, indeed.

As a boy in knee pants he was so much afraid of telling a lie that he rarely could be induced to make a positive statement.

"Mamma," he would gasp, rushing into the house with his face purple, "mamma, mebbe I've swallowed a bug."

A subsequent surgical operation would reveal the presence of a whole swarm of gnats in his trachea, and his conscience and his breathing apparatus would both be relieved.

In early manhood he got on the trail of "historical error," and when he got through with it there was nothing left of history but a few dates. George Washington's cherry tree was torn up by the roots; William Tell's apple was rotting in limbo; John Smith's Pocahontas had no more vitality left than a cigar store Indian.

His next step was to personally adopt the policy of always speaking the exact truth to all his friends. His motto was "No compromise with falsehood." When a man came to call whom he was not glad to see he told him so in so many words. When he met a pretty girl whose tip-tilted nose had been slightly reddened by the wind he informed her of the fact. When an enthusiastic person, deserving the merits of a horse, asserted that it was faster than the wind he drew himself up in awful majesty.

"My dear sir," he would say, "I notice in your conversation a tendency to exaggeration which, if persisted in, will land you in the same class with Ananias."

As a result of consistently and persistently following this policy, by the time he was 20 he had lost all of his friends and several of his front teeth—to say nothing of his good looks.

He stood out in the fierce white light of truth so long that he got warped.

In pursuit of a lie, he became a combination bloodhound and ferret. No matter how old and feeble a lie was he would pursue it relentlessly to the end. If it hid itself in a sewer, he would go down after it and drag it out into the glaring sunlight. Even after a lie had reformed, become respectable, and settled down to try to do some good in the world, he would seize it in his teeth, drag off its rags of honor, and expose it to the world. He laughed at the old fable that "if you give a lie five minutes start, the truth can never catch up with it." Truth might not be able to catch it, but he could—which is quite a different matter.

Fortunately, he never had any wife or children. But he did his best to make other people's little ones stick to the exact truth. If he heard a little boy talking about Jack Frost he took great pains to declare that there was no such a person. Once when he was walking through the park some children asked him if he would please pretend that he was a grizzly bear. He explained that under no circumstances would he consent to take part in any false pretension. He was content to be just himself, and he was sincerely sorry for the world because there were not more men like him in it.

Once somebody called his attention to the fact that nature is an awful liar. Every fall all the trees and flowers die, and the winds howl, and the ground is covered with snow and ice. It is perfectly plain that there are never again to be green fields and running brooks and flowers and birds. And then spring comes and gives the lie to winter, and all the world is in bloom again.

He answered that he had noticed that and that as soon as he finally got mankind straightened out he would tackle the rest of the universe.

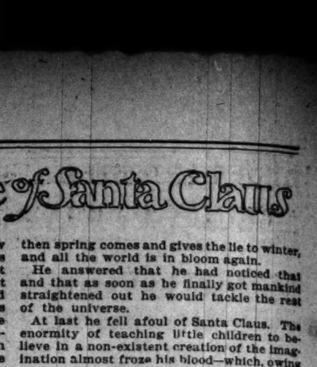
At last he fell afoul of Santa Claus. The enormity of teaching little children to believe in a non-existent creation of the imagination almost froze his blood—which, owing to its composition, froze much easier than other people's. He got up in a public place and—talking as loud as he could—declared that parents who taught their little ones to put their faith in Santa Claus were dreadful sinners, and that children who were allowed to cherish such a lie would certainly lead careers of vice and crime. And his name and what he said were printed in large letters in all the newspapers.

He went home that night—it was the night before Christmas—with a glow in what his physician had assured him was his heart. He hung up his trusty hammer on its nail by his bedside so that he could reach out and get it if anything that needed knocking occurred to him during the night.

"Well," he said, "old pal, we have nailed another lie."

Then he went to sleep and presently he began to dream. First of all he dreamed that he heard the sound of reindeer's hoofs outside his window. Even in his dreams he was indignant at himself for even dreaming such a lie. But the sounds went on. Presently—in his dreams, of course—the window was gently raised and a stoopshouldered old man with a long white beard crept into the room. "It's a lie—it's all a lie," his conscience said to him, but in his dreams he plainly saw the figure. He suffered terribly to think that he should be so brought to confusion.

All about his room the figure crept with soft and stealthy steps. Try as he would he could not keep himself from believing—in his dreams—that it was a real figure and that it was pattering softly about. Presently it seemed to go over to the chair on which he had carefully arranged his clothes. Then still, of course, in his dreams—the figure vanished again through the open window. As it



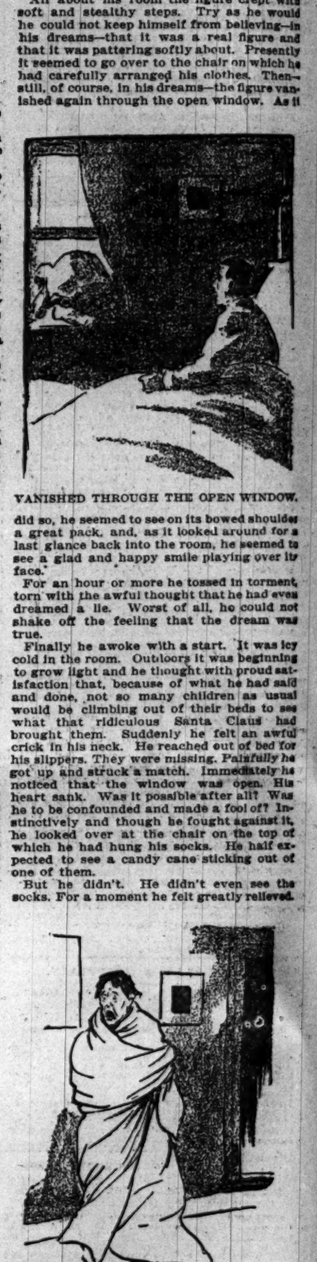
VANISHED THROUGH THE OPEN WINDOW.

did so, he seemed to see on its bowed shoulder a great pack, and, as it looked around for a last glance back into the room, he seemed to see a glad and happy smile playing over its face.

For an hour or more he tossed in torment, torn with the awful thought that he had even dreamed a lie. Worst of all, he could not shake off the feeling that the dream was true.

Finally he awoke with a start. It was icy cold in the room. Outdoors it was beginning to grow light and he thought with proud satisfaction that, because of what he had said and done, not so many children as usual would be climbing out of their beds to see what that ridiculous Santa Claus had brought them. Suddenly he felt an awful crick in his neck. He reached out of bed for his slippers. They were missing. Painfully he got up and struck a match. Immediately he noticed that the window was open. His heart sank. Was it possible after all? Was he to be confounded and made a fool of? Instinctively and though he fought against it, he looked over at the chair on the top of which he had hung his socks. He half expected to see a candy cane sticking out of one of them.

But he didn't. He didn't even see the socks. For a moment he felt greatly relieved.



HE BURST INTO THE EMPTY AND SILENT HALL.

But only for a moment. His eyes fell on the chair on which he had carefully laid out his clothes. It was empty. A glance around the room showed him that nothing at all was left but the bed and a couple of chairs. Even the trusty hammer no longer hung from its accustomed nail.

With a sudden flash of inspiration he ran to the bed, seized a blanket, wrapped it round his shivering form, and burst out into the empty and silent hall.

"Help!" he shouted. "Burglars! Porch climbers! I've been robbed." H. M. H.

Nothin' Doin'.

[A. S. Hart in the Newark News.]

Nothin' is comin' and nothin' in view,
Nothin' in pocket and nothin' to do.
Nothin' to kick for and nothin' to kick.
Nothin' to love and nothin' to lick.
Nothin' to hear and nothin' to see,
Nothin' to want and nothin' to be.
Nothin' to think of, of nothin' to fret,
Nothin' to ask for, nothin' to get.
Nothin' the captain, nothin' the crew,
Nothin' to choke on and nothin' to chew.
Nothin' to cry for, nothin' to sing,
Nothin' to take away, nothin' to bring.
Nothin' to spend and nothin' to earn,
Nothin' to eat and nothin' to burn.
Nothin' to borrow and nothin' to give,
Nothin' to die for, for nothin' to live;
In fact, there's nothin' doin'.

To Him Who Waits.

Mr. Crimsonbeak—"All things come to the fellow who waits."

Mrs. Crimsonbeak—"What now?"

"Why, don't you remember we used to order ice water brought to our room door every morning last summer?"

"Yes, I remember that."

"Well, we get it now when we order warm water."—Yonkers Statesman.

Justification.

When a young man puts salt and pepper on his buckwheat cakes and doesn't notice his mistake you are perfectly justified in asking who the girl is.—Ohio State Jornal.

Knows a Lot.

"Is he a well informed man?"

"I should say so. Why, his wife tells him everything."—Town Topics.

Ambiguous.

"Sometimes I think so hard it makes me tired."

"How thoughtless!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Ingalls Shut Up Van Wyck.

[Washington Correspondence New York World.]

"Van Wyck, who was in the senate from Nebraska, used to sputter and splutter when he was excited," said a senator. "One day he got up to make a speech. He stood immediately behind Spooner's desk. Senator Ingalls was talking to Spooner while the speech was going on. Van Wyck was nervous, and he sputtered and spluttered more than usual.

"Ingalls clapped his hands loudly. Van Wyck stopped suddenly to see what was the matter. A page ran up. 'Boy,' said Ingalls, loud enough to be heard in the galleries, 'bring Senator Spooner an umbrella and bring me a rubber coat.'

"Van Wyck sat down abruptly and never did finish the speech."

Holiday Lilt.

Life is a riddle—
A wild game of chance;
Tune up the fiddle,
An' join in the dance!

Bright eyes are winning,
With joy in each glance;
Life's just beginning,—
Join in the dance!

IRISH LAND BILL CERTAIN TO WIN.

Earl Dudley, Lord Lieutenant, Says England Must Settle Problems.

PRESENT LAWS SCORED.

Continuation of Present Unrest Dangerous to Interests of the Empire.

[BY GUY CRAMER.]

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DUBLIN, Dec. 6.—The friends of the proposed land purchase bill believe that the opposition to it will in time be overcome. The government holds the whip hand and can bring certain objectors to terms if the great majority of landlords approve a coming settlement plan.

The position of Earl Dudley, the lord lieutenant, on this problem is important, too, in view of that luncheon at Buckingham palace. He discussed the land question freely when seen at Dublin castle.

"There can be no doubt," said he, "that every Irishman is interested in the settlement of the land problem. So long as it remains in its present unsatisfactory state, so long will there be unrest and bad feeling throughout the country. It will be a consequent bar to the development of that industrial growth which is so urgently needed in Ireland. Ireland's prosperity must depend naturally on her agricultural prosperity. Anything, therefore, which tends to cripple agriculture in Ireland affects injuriously the great mass of the people.

"There is no doubt, either, that agriculture in many districts in Ireland is terribly handicapped at this moment by the existing land system. Whether the blame lies chiefly with landlord or tenant, agricultural operations cannot be successfully carried on if they are surrounded by an atmosphere of constant litigation, agitation, and dispute. The principal bill next session, it is certain, will deal with this problem in a most comprehensive way. It is my hope that the various parties for the sake of the general good of their native land will support the government in this effort.

Time for Solution Is Ripe.

"I believe that when the start is made—for the time for solution is now ripe—Irishmen will remember that they are Irishmen first and partisans after. I believe there should be a conference between representatives of landlords and tenants. There may be difficulties in the way, but surely they can be overcome when the possible benefit and good to be derived is considered. But these difficulties are difficulties of detail rather than of principle. It should not be beyond the wit of man to discover some method of comparing and adjusting the reasonable expectations of tenants and landlords under a scheme of voluntary purchase. It is preeminently a business matter. It all turns on a financial arrangement at once acceptable to the government as trustee of the taxpayers and to landlords and tenants as parties interested in placing agriculture and the country's good on a sound basis.

Each Side Should Be Heard.

"It seems," he concluded, "that it should be possible for each of the parties interested to choose some persons of financial ability and of business capacity in whom they have confidence and who are fully acquainted with their wishes to discuss this problem. These men, surely, could arrive at a mutual understanding. Let them discuss the demands made on either side and see how far these demands are compatible with each other. Surely, such men can be found. There is certainly a possibility that it will work effectively for the good of all Ireland and the increased happiness of its people. The coming land bill I am positive will deal broadly with this question. It will be a great aid if the terms mutually agreeable to tenants and landlords could be ascertained by a meeting of earnest, careful, reasonable representatives of both sides."

Government Will Face Problem.

This statement bears the government stamp and authoritatively asserts the government's intention to face the land problem and solve it once and for all if the reasonable way can be found. Landlords who favor settlement have profited by experience. They are constantly losing ground. Their incomes from landed property have been constantly decreasing since the land act of 1881 became a law, creating the land commission and giving that body the power to determine rentals and confer upon the tenant some fixity of tenure.

Before the act of 1881 the landlords, under the Gladstone régime, had an opportunity to sell. They had the chance to secure purchase prices equivalent to the total rental for twenty years at the rate then prevailing. The first step of the land commission was to cut rents 20 per cent. Sales of land at that time under even twenty years' purchase meant a big loss, for it represented just 20 per cent less than what would have been secured had the owners sold out prior to the enactment of the measure.

The first period of fifteen years passed and the land commission has reduced rents another 22 per cent. The tenants have cut down their purchase price offers to sixteen and eighteen years' purchase on the second term rents.

Landlords Lose by Delay.

Thus the landlords now face the possibility of losing a total of 42 per cent on purchase rates through their failure to seize the offers made before the land commission became a power. With the end of the present fifteen year period there is no improbability but that rents will get another slash. The landlords now see that they cannot hope to get a larger number of years' purchase, and hence the possibility of a still further reduced price for their land should purchase come some years in the future faces them. The tendency has been this way for twenty years and looks to grow worse. They are beginning to realize that if they want anything near a good price they must get out from under at an early day.

Here are the different conditions in the two countries—Ireland and England—which even Englishmen themselves have never taken the trouble to understand. The English landlord owns not only the soil, but he owns everything upon it. The houses and stables were built by him or his predecessor in title. The farm roads have been made at his expense. The drainage systems were planned and constructed under his direction and with his money. Everything upon the soil in England is the English landlord's property, and when he leases the property to a tenant it is fully equipped. He receives rent, but this rent, in great part, is expended in keeping the farm in repair, in a high state of efficiency. In plain business terms, the rent he receives is really the interest on an expenditure actually incurred in creating and maintaining the farm or holding.

Irish System Is Different.

But, compare Ireland. Here in over 90 per cent of the cases the landlord owns nothing but the bare soil—frequently nearly all bog and waste, for three-sevenths of all Ireland's territory is bog, waste, or mountain barrenness. The tenant receives nothing but this land. The buildings on the holding are erected by the tenant's own hands and at his own cost. He is compelled to dig the crooked drainage ditches if he hopes to keep his few acres from being flooded by rains and the constant dampness of the black bog. He is the man who builds the roads, who puts up the sod or stone fences which divide his holding from the acres of his neighbors. If he is evicted, he loses all this work of his hands and gets no compensation whatever.

Until 1881 the tenant could be ousted at the will of the landlord. If he put a coat of whitewash over the rough walls of his cottage, if a few extra stalks of corn or a few more blades of oats were lured out of the stubborn soil—the landlord came along, saw the mark of small prosperity, and up went the rent.

Rentals Declared Unfair.

Now, the land commission, however, is supposed to deduct the tenant's improvements in fixing rentals. The tenants contend, however, that this is not done; that they are required to pay too much for their land, which is true, even with the reductions which already have been spread.

Briefly stated, the difference between the English and the Irish landlord is that the English owner receives rent and pays much of the money back in maintaining the efficiency of the farm. The Irish landlord receives rent, pays nothing back, pockets it all to the last farthing; leaves the occupier to maintain the efficiency of the holding; and, in the majority of cases, even takes away the money received as rent to spend it anywhere except in Ireland, for the majority of Irish landowners are nonresidents.

Those taxpayers of the United States who know the system of property holding there are not likely to see much justice in the position of the Irish landlord.

URGES REFORMS IN MILITIA.

Illinois Adjutant General's Annual Report Suggests New Uniforms for Men and Officers.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The biennial report of Adjt. Gen. Smith, which was made public today, gives a detailed statement of the strength of the Illinois national guard and its equipment, and makes recommendations which the adjutant general believes will add to the efficiency of the service. Some of the troops have drilled and attended encampments in the same uniforms three years, and the adjutant general thinks the men should have new uniforms at once. The report says:

"The officers of the national guard uniform themselves at their own expense, and as many of them cannot afford to replace their clothing frequently they do not always have the appearance of neatness and cleanliness desired; nor would it seem just for this department to censure these officers, as would be done if the state furnished the clothing and equipment for its officers."

It is suggested that the state should allow a stated sum, say $12 per annum, to officers for the purchase of arms, text books, and clothing required in the discharge of their duties.

"It appears highly unjust," says the adjutant general, "to expect these men to give not only their time and abilities but their money as services to their state without some remuneration in the way of supplying their arms, books, and uniforms."

BUSINESS NOTICES.

A bountiful treasure has he who has a stock of Cook's Imperial Extra Dry Champagne. It has purity, quality, and age.

IN THE SOCIETY WORLD.

MME. ELEONORA DUSE IS GUEST AT A RECEPTION.

Mrs. H. G. Selfridge Is Hostess and the Event Is Attended by Several Hundred Women—Actress Speaks Only to Those Who Address Her in Italian—At the Same Place Today She Will Assist in Welcoming Santa Claus.

For the first time in America, except among her countrymen, Mme. Eleonora Duse yesterday played the rôle of the society woman. Mrs. H. G. Selfridge had the distinction of being the first hostess to persuade the actress to lay aside her reserve, and gave a reception for her from 3 till 5 o'clock at the Selfridge residence, 117 Lake Shore drive.

For an hour Mme. Duse stood beside Mrs. Selfridge in the drawing room, shaking hands with every one presented, and lisping with quaint accent, "glad to meet you." More English than that she did not venture. Then, pleading intense fatigue, she went upstairs to lie down. An hour later she came down and passed through the rooms, where two or three hundred guests were waiting her reappearance. She made pretty speeches in Italian, apologising for her illness, and left the house amid much hand clapping, which she acknowledged with bows and waved her hands.

Christmas preparations kept no one away from the reception, to which only women were invited, and a larger and more beautifully attired assemblage has not been seen at any reception this winter. But there was one somber looking figure there, Mme. Duse herself. She looked the fatigue she pleaded. There was not the slightest trace of the actress about her. She wore a plain gown of black velvet, untouched by color, except the small ermine collar to a velvet cape thrown over her shoulders and a white lace veil draped over her black hat. Her appearance was in sharp contrast to the gayly dressed throng about her. She appeared interested in the scene, but spoke seldom, except when some one addressed her in Italian.

The decorations of the house were unusually handsome, most of the flowers coming from the Selfridge place at Lake Geneva. In the drawing room, where Mrs. Selfridge received with Mme. Duse, Countess Roswadowski, Mme. Selfridge, and Mrs. Buckingham, there were tall vases of American beauty roses. The library was done in red berries and poinsetta, with a background of Christmas green. The tea table, placed in the adjoining room, had one tall vase of tinted white roses, around which were grouped orchids. A daintily dressed group of young women presided, which included Miss Edith, Miss Natalie, and Miss Italia Blair, Miss Gaylord, Miss Gladys Wilbur, Miss Catherine Williams, Miss Margaret McFadon, Miss Dick, Miss McCullough, Miss Winifred Barrett, and Miss Heisen.

Assisting in receiving were Mrs. John J. Mitchell, Mrs. John McBean, Mrs. Carter H. Harrison, Mrs. John Gilman, and the Misses Kirkland. Also the members of the Dante Alighieri society, including Mrs. James H. McKay, Mrs. H. H. Kohlsaat, Miss Maud Hambleton, Mrs. Fernando Jones, Miss Cipriani, and Miss Florence Hutchinson.

Some of those present were Mrs. Arthur Caton, Mrs. Bryan Lathrop, Mrs. W. J. Chalmers, Mrs. Joseph Kirkland, Mrs. Edward Blair, Mrs. George Payson, Mrs. S. E. Barrett, Mrs. Moses Wentworth, Mrs. O. W. Potter and her daughters, Mrs. Black and Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. John R. Wilson, Miss Delite Wilson, Mrs. Robert Gregory, Mrs. Marion Le Roy, Mrs. Sydney Williams, and Mrs. Stewart Patterson.

Mme. Duse has made friends with the children of the Selfridge house. She never has seen Santa Claus, as he does not visit Italy, so she will spend this morning with the little Selfridges, who will have a Christmas tree and who expect a visit from Santa Claus in person at 10 o'clock.

The engagement is announced of Miss Agnes Almy, daughter of Mrs. J. P. Almy of Philadelphia to Mr. Joseph G. Coleman Jr. Miss Almy is visiting her fiancé's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coleman of 158 Rush street.

Two dances last evening divided the attention of younger sets, one on the north side being given by Mrs. Edward Blair of 110 Rush street, while on the south side Mrs. Albert B. Dewey of 2831 Prairie avenue was the hostess.

Mrs. Blair's dance was one of the handsomest of the season, and was given for her daughter, Miss Edith Blair, and Miss Eleanor McCormick. It was entirely a young people's affair, thirty couples being present. Mr. Walter Ayer led the cotillon. The decorations were the Christmas greens and red berries.

Mrs. Dewey's cotillon was given for her son, Charles Shufeldt Dewey, who is home from Yale for the holidays, and has a house party of young people. They include Miss Lucile Getchell of Evanston, Mr. Bookwalter of Philadelphia, and the Misses Thompson of Andover, Mass. The favors were Japanese, and the entire house was arranged with a Japanese effect, with masses of chrysanthemums in the rooms. Supper was served at midnight.

Mrs. Henry Bausher of 884 La Salle avenue will give a "household" shower for Miss Helen Stewart on Saturday afternoon. On Saturday evening Miss Elsie Vilas of 297 Ontario street will give a dinner for Miss Stewart and Dr. Doane.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walsh of 4441 Ellis avenue announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Celeste Katherine Walsh, to Mr. D. J. Callahan of Cleveland, O.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wyndham Channer of Buena Park will give a dinner and theater party this evening for their sons, Harold and Herbert Channer, and J. Jay Cairns Jr. Mrs. J. J. Mitchell of 5012 Woodlawn avenue has recalled her invitations to children's party on Dec. 26.

The Sheridan club will give its annual children's party on Saturday from 4 till 9 p. m.

MANAGER TRIES IN VAIN TO SEE PIETRO MASCAGNI.

Composer Closes the Door on Richard Heard and More Trouble Is Said to Be Brewing.

Suffering from tonsilitis and a general breakdown, Pietro Mascagni is still confined to his room at the Annex. And more trouble is brewing, for the composer refuses to so much as see Richard Heard, his late manager, who made a dozen attempts yesterday to secure an audience with the musician.

During the day Julius Goldzier, Mascagni's attorney, held a conference with Dr. Lagorio and Dr. Volini, who are attending the composer, and was told that Mascagni would be unable to travel or to continue his tour.

"There is no contract between Sig. Mascagni and his late manager," said Mr. Goldzier. "Mr. Heard has been notified that owing to the illness of S.g. Mascagni the tour of the company had been abandoned, and with that announcement the relations between Mascagni and Mr. Heard practically came to an end."

Mr. Heard, however, takes a different view of the situation.

"Sig. Mascagni is still here," he said, "and so am I. What am I going to do? Well, I shall stay here until Sig. Mascagni leaves, and then I shall go with him.

"I cannot say that our tour has been financially successful. The expenses of the company from Dec. 1 to Dec. 12 were $12,041, and the receipts $6,610. The expenses include $2,680 liabilities not yet paid.

"Although this may not seem favorable, there was a good prospect before us to make money. There is no reason why the tour should be considered given up for good even now. It would be easy enough to get a new orchestra and new singers and continue the tour until Feb. 1, according to agreement."

But Mr. Heard is not the only man of trouble. Here is a letter written from Peoria by Roland Robbins, Mascagni's advance agent, to Henry W. Savage, manager of the Castle Square company:

"I am stranded here, having been out in advance of Mascagni. Can't you use me in some capacity, if necessary in the chorus of your 'Prince of Pilsen' company? I have a strong baritone of fair quality.

"ROLAND ROBBINS."

SAN FRANCISCO MAN TAKEN ON A CHARGE OF SWINDLING.

William Baer Ewing, Indicted Recently in California, Is Arrested in Chicago —Charge Against Him.

William Baer Ewing was arrested in the Unity building yesterday on a charge of swindling people in California and other parts of the country. He was indicted in San Francisco recently, charged with having devised a scheme to defraud by use of the mails through a concern known as the Standard Oil Promotion and Investment company, of which he was secretary. Ewing's company was represented to have a subscribed capital of $2,500,000. Offers were made to correspondents to finance minor companies with capital varying from $100,000 to $500,000, and to persons who would invest in these concerns promises are said to have been made that they would receive large shares of the profits every month.

ISAAC H. STRATTON MARRIED.

Is United to Miss Josephine A. Larabee at Home of Bride's Mother at Oshkosh, Wis.

Oshkosh, Wis., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Isaac Harry Stratton and Miss Josephine A. Larabee were married at 11 o'clock today at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Josephine Larabee. The Rev. E. H. Smith, pastor of the First Congregational church, performed the ceremony. The groom is a son of the late Colorado millionaire. There were no attendants, and besides their immediate relatives, William N. Cooley, a college chum of the groom, was present. Mr. Stratton gave his business as a banker at Colorado Springs. The couple left at 1 o'clock over the Northwestern road for the west.

AUSTIN GETS EASTERN PASTOR.

The Rev. Robert H. Beattie Coming to Accept First Presbyterian Charge.

The Rev. Robert H. Beattie, for twelve years pastor of the American Reformed church in Newburgh, N. Y., has accepted a call to the First Presbyterian church, Austin. Mr. Beattie at one time was a professor of latin at Princeton.

Dewar's Scotch Whisky—Finest Imported. Same yesterday, today, and forever. Pure!

CARSON PIRIE SCOTT & CO.

Greatest Bargain Sale Ever Held in Our Women's Cloak Department.

We will begin tomorrow morning a sale of women's long, short, and medium length coats that represents to every customer a tremendous saving from regular prices and affords an opportunity unparalleled in women's coat selling in Chicago.

TO the unseasonable weather this season alone can be attributed this great sensational money-saving event. April weather in November and December made the demand for winter garments so light that now, as the selling season draws to a close, makers and retailers alike are overstocked. From many dealers we were made offers so tempting that we purchased their entire sample lines and surplus stocks, and to these purchases we have added the remainder of our own splendid stocks, and, forgetting profits, we have reduced the selling price of every garment so radically that we can state with positive certainty that today we are offering values in women's reliable clothing that have never before been equaled. If you contemplate purchasing a coat don't fail to compare our qualities and prices before buying.

Lot 1—Choice $3.75 27-inch half fitting box coats and short jackets, made of good quality kersey, in black, oxford and red. Not a garment in this lot worth less than $7.50. Choice at the bargain price of $3.75.

Lot 2—Choice $5.00 45-inch automobile coats, made of kersey, also about sixty long garments in loose and half-fitting backs, materials kersey and Irish frieze. Fifty castor kerseys and black boucle capes, plain and fur trimmed. Colors black, oxford, brown and castor. Garments in this lot worth from $10.00 to $15.00. Choice at the bargain price of $5.00.

Lot 3—Choice $6.75 Assorted styles in 45-in. automobile rarlans, box coats, etc., all sizes and colors, materials kerseys, and Irish frieze, storm or coat collars, satin lined. Garments in this lot worth from $15.00 to $18.00. Choice at the bargain price offered, each $6.73.

Three Extra Special Values in High Grade Coats.

Special No. 1—$12. 50 montague blouse coats, made with new peplum, bell sleeves, turned back cuffs, coat collars, Skinner's satin lining, regular value $15.00; special, $12.00.

Special No. 2—$15. 100 collarless Monte Carlo coats, made of fine Panne cheviot, Skinner satin lining, black only, regular $20.00 values; special, $15.00.

Special No. 3—$16.50 150 Monte Carlo coats, made of fine kersey, storm collars, Bishop sleeves, outside of collar and cuffs of Panne velvet, coats lined with Skinner's guaranteed satin, in black, brown, castor. Regular value, $20.00; special, $16.50.

Boys' Clothing Reductions.

EVERY suit of boys' and young men's clothing now in stock materially reduced in price.

The kind of boys' clothing we sell has a distinction in style and excellence in quality that distinguishes from the ordinary grades of clothing sold at reasonable prices, and for that reason a special sale in this section is of great importance to all parents who are looking for opportunities to secure reliable clothing at saving prices.

Boys' all wool 3-piece knee pants suits, sizes 3 to 16 years, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00 and $7.00 values, reduced to—

$3.00

Young men's suits and overcoats, sizes 30 to 37 chest, $10.00, $12.00, $13.50 and $15.00 values—

$8.50

Great Price Reduction Sale of Girls' and Misses' Coats.

EVERY garment in stock representing odd lines or broken sizes has been reduced from ⅓ to ½ November prices to effect an immediate clearance.

Girls' ¾ length coats and Norfolk jackets, formerly from $6.00 to $15.00—reduced to $3.75, $5.00, $6.00, $7.50 and..... $9.00

Girls' full length coats—formerly from $7.50 to $20.00—reduced to $5.00, $7.50, $8.50, $10.00 and..... $12.50

Misses' 27 and 30 inch coats—an assortment of Monte Carlo, box and half fitted shapes, with cape collars, storm collars and coat collars—in cheviots, friezes and kersey cloths—formerly from $12.50 to $16.50—reduced to $9.75 and..... $7.50

General Clearing Sale of All Holiday Merchandise.

THE following items have been specially reduced, some on account of their specific holiday nature, and some slightly soiled or damaged during the tremendous crush of the past weeks.

Leather goods department—Collar and cuff boxes, fitted traveling rolls, fitted traveling bags.

Toilet Articles.

Perfumery department—Holiday perfumes in fancy boxes and bottles.

Toilet sets—Fancy combs, brushes, and mirrors.

Jewelry and silverware—Fancy jewel boxes and a great many pieces to be cleared at once.

Second floor—Dolls—all dolls soiled or damaged—vases, bric-a-brac, etc.—all pieces in any way marred.

Fancy Needlework—Decorated novelties—pin cushions, fancy lined baskets, etc.

Many unusual bargains will be found in the above specially reduced lines.

Clearing Sale of Books

Damaged in the Christmas Selling,

and many books not injured at all, but which we desire to close out,

Priced all the way down to Half and Less.

Books of every kind—sets—single volumes—new publications—children's books—Bibles—cloth and leather bindings, etc.

Stationery.

All fancy boxes of stationery and other holiday articles such as ink wells, paper weights, letter openers.

Reduced to Half and Less.

Pyrography

All soiled articles reduced to

Half Price.

(They're just as good to burn as new goods.)

Important announcement.

Two of the greatest sales of the year.

On tomorrow, Friday, December 26th, we will inaugurate our annual clearing sales of men's suits and overcoats and women's jackets—two sales that are well known to all Chicago as the greatest bargain events of the entire year.

Your choice of any man's suit or overcoat in the house for $20.

Not one sack suit or overcoat will be reserved—the $50 garments as well as the $35, the Brokaw Brothers' suits as well as the Mandel Special, will be offered—not even the blacks or blues will be reserved.

Basement: Here you will find the greatest values ever offered in $5 suits and overcoats.

Women's jackets in the basement at less than half.

This is a bargain treat indeed—if you haven't bought your winter jacket this is your opportunity—all styles, all colors, all sizes—your choice of our entire stock at less than half price.

Mandel Brothers.

NO TRADING IN PRODUCE.

BOARD OF TRADE MARKETS ALL CLOSED TIGHT AS A DRUM.

Only Domestic Market Running That at St. Louis, Where Wheat Moved but Little, but December Corn Gained One Cent—Liverpool Wheat Easy—Weather West Cold and Favorable for Corn and Oats Movement—Hogs Higher.

Board of trade markets were closed yesterday, and while the corridors were more or less full of traders there was no semblance of a curb market and little interest in such news as might have affected prices if markets had been going. The only domestic market open was that at St. Louis, and fluctuations there indicated a moderate trade; wheat ¼c higher for December and 1-16c lower for May. December corn was strong there, up 1c to 46¼c, suggesting that the "blind pool" longs were in a better position there than they proved to be here.

Such news as was received from foreign markets told of a holiday character of trade there also. There was some conflict of evidence as to English prices, a news dispatch calling the Liverpool market "easy, unchanged to ⅛c lower for futures." Paris steady. Lohrke wired from New York:

"Official Liverpool cables unchanged. Private cables from the continent firm on wheat and tendency higher. Sales of No. 2 hard made in Germany today at 2 marks above bid price."

There were no advices of any kind on the Argentine weather. In this country there were heavy snows in the northwest and cold and clear weather through the west, favorable for corn movement. Acceptances of corn and oats by the country were fair.

Hogs at the yards were 5@10c higher on receipts of 25,000, or 7,000 under the estimate. Total western receipts were 56,600, compared with 78,800 a year ago.

Trade Gossip on 'Change.

Receipts of wheat at St. Louis yesterday were 53,000 bu and shipments 94,000 bu. Corn receipts were 127,000 bu and shipments 38,000 bu. New Orleans reported export clearances of 188,170 bu wheat and 377,918 bu corn.

H. D. Wetman & Co. will move on Jan. 1 into larger quarters in the Rialto building, suite 512.

Harris-Gates are sending to their customers and correspondents in Europe and the trade there in general an interesting pamphlet by E. William Kalb, giving a valuable summary of business methods on the board of trade, trading rules, statistics of all kinds, trade phrases and their definitions, general scope of crop reports, standing of Chicago contract grades, and other details of interest.

"The flour trade is quiet just now," said H. N. Sager, "as jobbers always stock up before the close of navigation, but flour stocks in the east are moderate, and millers have only moderate stocks of wheat on hand. I expect to see business become brisk again in January."

Broomhall gives some figures on the wheat harvest calamity in New South Wales, cabling that on the area saved from drought threshing returns show a yield of 3½ bu, compared with an average yield of 8 bu.

A Broomhall cable belittled the alleged dissatisfaction with Manitoba wheat arriving in England, saying: "Complaints regarding the condition of Manitoba wheat are unfounded. There are some complaints from millers regarding the quality of the gluten, but this is expected to improve with age."

John B. Scott, the well known wheat trader, has purchased an interest in the Canby commission concern, to which he will add weight in every sense of the word.

The Winnipeg correspondent of the Modern Miller writes on the Manitoba wheat crop and movement: "The movement of wheat out of Manitoba and the northwest territories calculated on the inspection returns by the dominion grain inspector, amounts to 25,145 cars since Sept. 1 to Dec. 16. This is about 25,000,000 bu shipped by rail either to Fort William and Port Arthur or via the Northern Pacific for Duluth or other points across the line. Last year, for the crop of 1901, the inspection report on the end of December showed that 26,000,000 bu had gone through Winnipeg out of 50,000,000 bu of a total wheat crop. While the shipments will not, it is feared, be any larger this year, the surplus in farmers' hands will be much larger, as the latest reports issued by the Manitoba government show that the yield of all grains is over 100,000,000 bu, of which 63,000,000 bu is wheat. The total exports of wheat for this year from Manitoba will be 60,000,000 bu; for 1901, 50,000,000 bu were shipped; 1900, 17,000,000 bu; 1899, 30,000,000 bu; 1898, 23,000,000 bu; 1897, 22,000,000 bu; 1896, 14,000,000 bu; 1895, 20,000,000 bu. In 1886 the export amounted to 4,000,000 bu. The end of the year of 1901 left a large amount of wheat to be threshed the next summer, while this year the total amount of wheat grown was threshed.

BUTTER PRICES MAKE DECLINE.

Extras in Creameries Go Off 1-2 Cent—Plenty of Turkeys and Prices Unchanged.

Butter declined to 27½c per lb yesterday, an event anticipated by the trade through the weakness of the previous day. Poultry came in sufficient supply to meet all demands, in fact speculators bought large quantities for freezing, as the local or shipping trade neither made bids. Eggs held firm at the prices prevailing for several days. There was little doing in the potato market, the approach of Christmas and the sudden drop of temperature both operating to quiet the usual demand. It was necessary to "fire" cars arriving, to prevent freezing. Small arrivals of vegetables were sufficient to meet all demands, as the retail trade seemed supplied.

Quotations on round lots follow:

DAIRY PRODUCTS.

Eggs, misc., at mark, cases included	20@22c
Do, at mark, cases returned	18@21½c
Do, loss off, cases returned	25c
Do, city storage, packed	19@19½c
Cheese, Y. A.	12½c
Cheese, fancy brick	10½c
Do, twins	11@11½c
Butter, creamery, extras	27½c
Firsts	25@26c
Seconds	19@22c
Dairies, Cooley's	25c
Do, firsts	22c
Packing stock	16c

POULTRY AND GAME.

Live old chickens	9c
Do spring	9½c
Dressed springs	10½@11c
Live turkeys	12@13c
Do geese, doz	$6.00@9.00
Fresh dressed turkeys	17c
Iced turkeys	13@14c
Do chickens	7½@11c
Do spring chickens	10@11½c
Do ducks	12½@14c
Ducks, mallard, doz	$4.00@18.00
Ducks, small	$1.75@2.00
Do mixed	$1.50@2.00
Snipe, jack	$1.50
Do mixed	25@30c
Do grass and yellow legs	$1.50
Woodcock, doz	$6.00
Squabs, dressed, doz	$1.00@2.00
Rabbits, per doz	$1.00@1.20
Bear saddles	12½@13c

FRUITS.

Oranges, Cal., navels	$3.00@4.00
Apples, brls	$1.25@4.00
Lemons, Cal., boxes, 300	$3.50@3.75
Pears, good to choice, per brl	$1.00@2.00
Winter Nellis	$2.00@2.50
Bananas, bch	$1.00@1.50
New York Concords	20@21c
Tokays	$1.50@2.00
Cranberries, Cape Cod	$8.00

FISH AND SEA FOODS.

Black bass	15c
Carp	5c
Oysters, standard, bulk, gal	$1.20
Perch	8@4c
Pike	5@6c
Lobsters, live	22c
Do boiled	25c

VEAL.

50@60 lbs	5@5½c
60@75 lbs	5½@6½c
80@125 lbs	7@8c
95@110 lbs	8½@9c
110@200 lbs	7½@8c
80@225 lbs	6@6½c

VEGETABLES.

Beets, 1½ bu sacks	50c
Beans, navy, hand picked	$2.20@2.30
Medium	$2.10@2.25
Celery, Michigan, cases	40c
Squashes, Hubbard, per ton	$25.00
Cabbage, Holland seed, per ton	$20.00@20.00
Per ton	$7.50@8.50
Cauliflower, cases	$1.00@2.00
Lettuce, head, tubs	35@75c
Potatoes, on track, per bu	38@45c
Sweet potatoes, ills, brl	$2.65@2.75

HIDES AND PELTS.

Heavy green, salted	7½c
Damaged, do	6½c
Part cured No. 1	7c
Green salted calf	6½c
Dry do	11c
Deacons, each	45@50c

BROOMCORN.

Self-working, fair to good, ton	$20.00@20.00
Choice	$70.00@80.00
Choice green	$30.00@90.00

WOOL.

Tub washed	21@26c
Medium washed	16@18c
Coarse unwashed	15@16c
Montana, medium	14@16c
Ungraded, unwashed	11@13c

FEATHERS.

Prime live geese, white	53@55c
Mixed	41@42c
White chicken, dry picked	18@19c
Chicken and turkey, mixed	3½c
Turkey tail	20@21c

The following table shows the receipts and shipments of country produce for the last twenty-four hours:

Articles.	Receipts. 1902.	Shipments. 1902.
Apples, brls	900	685
Beans, bu	552	
Butter, lbs	146,100	18,836
Cheese, lbs	695,039	461,366
Eggs, pkgs	241,620	240,924
Dressed hogs, lbs	563,694	30,050
Hay, tons	437	62
Hides, lbs	312,856	377,740
Hops, lbs	108,994	
Potatoes, bu	25,800	13,594
Poultry, lbs	320,854	67,504
Poultry, c'ps	456	
Wool, lbs	201,930	28,800

IN FOREIGN PRODUCE MARKETS.

Current and Closing Quotations on Grain, Provisions, and Cotton at Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 24.—Grain—Wheat—Spot No. 1 northern spring, no stock; No. 2 red western winter firm, 5s 11½d; No. 1 California steady, 6s 8d; futures easy; December, 6s 2½d; March, 6s 1¾d; May, 6s ¾d. Corn—Spot American mixed, new, quiet, 5s 1d; American mixed, old, steady, 5s 4d; futures inactive; January, 4s 6¼d; March, 4s 2½d.

Provisions—Flour—St. Louis fancy winter quiet, 8s 3d. Beef—Steady; extra India mess, 113s 9d. Pork—Steady; prime mess western, 90s. Hams—Short cut steady, 53s. Bacon—Cumberland cut quiet, 47s 6d; short ribs dull, 48s; long clear middles light, quiet, 48s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, quiet, 48s; short clear backs quiet, 48s; clear bellies dull, 58s. Lard—Dull; prime western, in tcs, 55s 6d; American refined, in pails, 55s.

Cotton—Spot quiet; prices 2 points lower; American middling fair, 5.16d; good middling, 4.68d; middling, 4.52d; low middling, 4.40d; good ordinary, 4.28d; ordinary, 4.16d. Sales, 8,000 bales. Receipts, none. Futures opened quiet and closed steady; American middling, g. o. c., December, 4.50d; December and January, 4.49@4.50d; January and February, 4.49@4.50d; February and March, 4.49@4.50d; March and April, 4.49@4.50d; April and May, 4.50d; May and June, 4.51d; June and July, 4.51d; July and August, 4.51d; August and September, 4.45@4.46d.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Movement of Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, and Lambs, with the Range of Prices and Comparisons.

Receipts of cattle here yesterday were 12,500; hogs, 22,000; sheep, 12,000. The markets all opened out with a flourish on higher prices, but late sellers could not duplicate morning prices in any of the lines. Top cattle sold at $6.55, top hogs at $6.60, and fancy lambs $5.90. Delayed arrivals of trains were a factor against an active market to the finish.

Receipts for the day compared with a week ago show a decrease of 2,500 cattle, a decrease of 7,000 hogs, and a decrease of 1,000 sheep. Year ago, holiday.

Receipts at Chicago stockyards for the year to date, with comparative figures:

Year.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.	Cars.
1902	2,885,924	7,727,294	4,435,635	101,122	274,522
1901	2,980,502	8,150,278	3,988,880	108,743	287,581
Inc		438,742			
Dec	103,903	422,984		7,620	13,059

The following is a statement of the movement of live stock at the Chicago stockyards for the period indicated, with comparative figures:

Receipts.	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Wednesday, Dec. 17	15,195	587	32,446	22,771
Thursday	9,400	528	37,049	24,404
Friday, Dec. 19	5,107	347	37,554	11,850
Saturday, Dec. 20	1,500	51	16,940	4,045
Monday, Dec. 22	12,199	394	49,403	22,260
Tuesday, Dec. 23	5,887	715	26,314	9,777
Wednesday, Dec. 24	12,500	500	25,000	12,000
This week	30,586	1,609	85,717	44,037
Last week	40,710	1,738	90,725	62,971
Cor. week 1901	18,294	786	72,683	18,220
Official last week	58,080	2,644	182,888	108,570
Official 1901	57,798	1,916	222,684	82,956
Shipments—				
Week ago	5,180	93	5,831	2,139
Yesterday	1,500	10	500	4,558
Today	5,000	50	2,000	2,000
This week	5,750	65	7,514	9,295
Last week	9,512	346	13,037	7,975
Cor. week 1901	4,042	114	7,273	1,976
Official last week	19,661	75	25,173	15,714
Official year ago	16,688	268	13,385	6,537

Wednesday's hog purchases:

Armour	5,500	Lipton	1,500
Anglo-American	1,600	E. & S.	1,400
Boyd & Lunham	1,200	Butchers	800
Continental	1,700	Shippers	500
Hammond	1,400		
Morris	1,500	Total	20,700
Swift	3,200	Left	4,500

Hogs.

During the early part of the day there was an active demand for all kinds of beef cattle, and full, strong Monday prices were readily obtainable for all kinds of beef cattle. Quotations:

Prime beeves, 1,250 lbs and up	$6.30@6.60
Good to choice, 1,250 lbs and up	6.00@6.30
Medium to good, 1,250 lbs and up	5.60@5.90
Poor to medium, 1,250 lbs and up	4.10@5.60
Good to prime steers, 900 to 1,250 lbs	6.15@6.25
Medium to good, 900 to 1,250 lbs	5.50@6.10
Poor to medium, 900 to 1,250 lbs	4.10@4.40
Medium to choice feeders	3.50@4.50
Medium to choice stockers	3.25@4.00
Superior to medium stockers	2.50@2.90
Medium to choice heifers	3.50@5.10
Inferior to medium heifers	2.15@3.15
Medium to choice cows	2.80@4.50
Cutters	2.50@2.90
Canners	1.60@2.50
Good to choice bulls	3.50@4.40
Bologna bulls	2.50@3.45
Stock bulls	2.55@3.00
Veal calves	5.50@7.00
Stock calves	2.75@4.50
Texas steers—grassers	3.00@5.00

Cattle.

Irregular and slow arrival of trains caused slow opening to the hog trade. Quotations:

Good to prime, 245 to 400 lbs	$6.40@6.60
Common to good, 245 to 400 lbs	6.00@6.40
Good to prime, 190 to 245 lbs	6.00@6.50
Assorted light, 160 to 190 lbs	5.95@6.15
Common to good, 130 to 160 lbs	5.75@6.00
Mixed, 200 to 245 lbs	5.90@6.35
Light mixed, 160 to 200 lbs	6.80@6.05
Pigs	3.00@5.90

Sheep.

The trade in sheep and lambs was an excited and erratic one. For a short time, and in the case of good fat stock, it was only a case of asking enough. Quotations:

Good to choice wethers	$4.00@4.50
Good to choice ewes	3.50@4.10
Poor to medium ewes	2.00@3.25
Lambs	3.50@5.50
Rams	2.00@3.25
Range wethers	3.50@4.40
Range ewes	2.75@4.00
Range lambs	4.00@5.50

Live Stock Markets Elsewhere.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,523 head; steers active, 10@20c higher; bulls and cows, uneven, some sales 10@15c higher; steers, $4.40@5.80; oxen and stags, $4.40@4.75; cows, $1.50@4.25. Cables steady. Calves—Receipts, 1,174 head; steady; veals, $5.00@9.50; little sales, $3.50@4.50; barnyard calves, $3.00@3.40; westerns, $3.55@3.65; city dressed veals steady at 11@14c. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 5,463 head; sheep steady but slow for all but top grades; good lambs in fair demand and fully steady, others dull; sheep, $3.00@4.00; culls, $3.50@4.00. Hogs—Receipts, 3,270 head; firm; state hogs, $6.35@6.45; few choice pigs, $6.50.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,338 head natives, 607 Texans, and 500 native calves; corn cattle weak, 10c lower; cows and heifers steady to higher; stockers slow and lower; choice export and dressed beef steers, $5.20@6.00; stockers and feeders, $2.00@4.25; western fed steers, $2.50@5.25; Texas and Indian steers, $3.00@4.25; calves, $2.75@6.25. Hogs—Receipts, 5,000 head; 5@10c higher; top, $6.45. Sheep—Receipts, 1,100 head; steady; native lambs, $4.00@5.45; western lambs, $3.85@4.35; fed ewes, $3.00@3.95; natives wethers, $3.00@4.00; western wethers, $3.00@4.20.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,500 head, including 1,100 Texans; active and strong; native shipping and export steers, $4.90@6.00; dressed beef and butcher steers, $4.25@5.50; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.00; cows and heifers, $2.50@4.75; calves, $4.00@7.00; Texas and Indian steers, $2.40@5.00. Hogs—Receipts, 2,500 head; firm; higher; pigs and lights, $6.10@6.25; packers, $6.25@6.50; butchers, $6.35@6.60. Sheep—Receipts, 500 head; steady; native muttons, $3.40@4.00; lambs, $4.00@5.50; stockers, $1.50@2.50.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,177; Texas and westerns, $3.25@5.75; cows and heifers, $2.00@4.40; veals, $2.50@6.75. Hogs—Receipts, 5,797; 5@10c higher; bulk of sales, $6.20@6.40. Sheep—Receipts, 320; 15@25c higher; top, western lambs, $5.40.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,300; 5@10c higher. Hogs—Receipts, 5,500; 5@10c higher; bulk of sales, $6.20@6.25. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; steady; fed muttons, $4.00@4.50; westerns, $3.00@4.25; wethers, $3.75@4.35; ewes, $3.50@4.00; lambs, $4.50@5.25.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 7,000; sheep firm, lambs 15@20c higher; top lambs, $5.50@5.70; yearlings, $4.25@4.50; ewes, $3.50@4.25; sheep, top mixed, $3.50@3.75; culls to good, $1.75@3.40.

Oil and Oil Certificates.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 24.—Credit balances, $1.51; certificates, no sales; shipments, 88,705 brls; average, 33,329 brls. Runs, 102,121 brls; average, 77,015 brls.

Commercial Men to Meet.

The annual convention of the Illinois Commercial Men's association will be held on Saturday Dec. 27, in the drill hall of the seventeenth floor of the Masonic temple Chicago. The association, which is for mutual accident insurance, has added 4,000 members during the year.

COURSE OF PRICES FIRM.

SO LITTLE DOING QUOTATIONS WERE NOT SIGNIFICANT.

President Schwab Has a Five Year Contract with the United States Steel Corporation, Though Insiders Continue to Talk of His Possible Resignation—Balance Sheet of the Distillers' Corporation—Grain Drill Combination Moves Slowly.

Stock business in both Chicago and New York yesterday gave way to the usual holiday indifference. For that reason prices made could not be considered significant. The markets were dull and irregular, with a firm tendency at the close.

In the local stock market American Can preferred held the general advance of the previous day, but the volume of business was small. It is believed there is nothing special doing in the stock. The earnings of 5 per cent on the preferred this year will be in excess of the returns last year. But not until there is a considerable gain will the stock offer special indugements for the insiders to make it active and higher.

The street railroad shares were steady. Business was small. Title and Trust advanced slightly. The Biscuit shares were steady to firm. There was nothing of consequence doing in Boxboard.

Figure on Schwab's Retirement.

Talk of a successor for Charles M. Schwab continues. It develops that Mr. Schwab has a five years' contract at $160,000 a year with the United States Steel corporation. The company was organized in the spring of 1901 so that this contract has more than three years to run.

From all that can be learned Mr. Schwab's resignation would be willingly accepted, and E. H. Gary would become the controlling individual influence in the corporation, much as he is at present.

The Distillers' Securities corporation has filed with the New York stock exchange committee on unlisted securities a statement showing that the distillers' corporation has acquired 88.40 per cent of the outstanding preferred stock and 87 per cent of the outstanding common stock of the Distilling Company of America. The balance sheet of the corporation as of Dec. 1, 1902, follows:

ASSETS.

$20,435,790.04 par value preferred stock, and $20,424,263.18 par value, common stock of the Distilling Company of America, at cost	$35,084,441.98
*Treasury stock	4,560,413.93
Unissued	21,180.00
*Treasury bonds	2,883,984.09
Balance due from underwriting syndicate	4,710,544.26
Cash and the Distilling Company of America 5 per cent collateral trust bonds, at par and interest accrued to Dec. 1, 1902	1,230,455.74
Total	$48,500,000.00

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$32,500,000.00
†Bonds	16,000,000.00
Total	$48,500,000.00

*Reserved to acquire securities of constituent companies not already acquired.

†An equal amount of capital stock is reserved for conversion of these bonds, but only to be issued as bonds are converted.

Grain Drill Combination.

The promoters who are endeavoring to organize a grain drill combination with a capital of $20,000,000 have not been able to progress far. The scheme is in a tentative stage. The companies proposed to be taken in include the P. P. Mast & Co. and the Superior Drill company of Dayton, O.; the Empire Drill company of Shortsville, N. Y.; Brennan & Co. of Louisville, Ky.; the Hoosier Drill company of Richmond, Ind.; the Dowagiac Manufacturing company of Dowagiac, Mich.; and the Bickford & Huffman company of Macedon, N. Y.

Widely Held Stocks.

Some figures have been prepared showing the number of stockholders of several large corporations. In the matter of individual owners the United States Steel corporation leads with 52,000 names. Next to it is Pennsylvania railroad list with about 32,000 shareholders. Pennsylvania has for years been an investment stock held in small lots, principally throughout the east. There are also a great many foreign shareholders.

The stock of the American Sugar Refining company is distributed among 13,000 people. Within the last few years sugar shares have been better held than some years ago, when it was the most active stock on the New York exchange.

Railway Earnings.

ANN ARBOR.

	1902.	1901.	Increase.
Third week Dec.	$ 36,699	$ 30,889	$ 5,750
From July 1	897,759	895,553	2,206

WABASH.

Third week Dec.	401,972	349,276	52,696
From July 1	10,302,808	9,410,811	891,997

Dividends Declared.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Bankers' National bank of Chicago a dividend of 2 per cent for the four months ending Dec. 31, 1902, was declared, payable on that day to stockholders of record Dec. 27, this being at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

The Temple Iron company declared a dividend of 3 per cent, payable Jan. 1 to stock of record Dec. 31.

The J. B. Stetson company declared a semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent on preferred stock and a dividend of 12 per cent on common stock, payable on Jan. 15. Books close on Jan. 9 and reopen on Jan. 16.

The American Chicle company declared a regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent on its preferred stock, payable on Dec. 31. Books close on Dec. 26 and reopen on Jan. 2.

The usual monthly dividend of 1 per cent also has been declared on its common stock, payable on Jan. 10. Books close on Jan. 5 and reopen on Jan. 12.

The National Licorice company declared the usual quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent on its preferred stock, payable on Dec. 31. Books close on Dec. 26 and reopen on Jan. 2.

The United Traction company declared 1½ per cent on common stock and 2½ per cent on preferred stock, payable on Jan. 2 and on Jan. 20 respectively.

The Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railway company has anticipated the payment of its dividend, which was made payable on Jan. 2 and mailed checks to stockholders yesterday.

The Texas and Pacific Coal company declared a dividend of 1½ per cent, payable on Dec. 30 to stock of record on Dec. 22.

Foreign Exchange Prices.

Foreign exchange closed steady at the following figures:

SELLING.

Checks, Paris	5 16¼—1-16
Cables, London	487⅝
Checks, London	486⅝
Checks, Berlin	95¾—1-32

BUYING.

60 days, London, bankers'	483
60 days, London, documentary	483¼
3 days, Hamburg	95 1-16
3 days, Antwerp	5 15⅝
60 days, France	5 20
3 days, Holland	40 1-16
60 days, Holland	39 13-16

Bank Statement Forecast.

While it is a little early to forecast the bank statement, the operations of the subtreasury vary little from those of last week so far as the movement of cash between itself and the banks is concerned. New York gets a little money from Chicago now and then, but none of the funds taken out of New York by Chicago when the latter was drawn on by western banks for crop moving money. Some western institutions not only drew down their balances here but have in addition become borrowers from Chicago banks.

General Financial News.

There has been listed on the stock exchange of Philadelphia $890,000 additional collateral trust 5 per cent convertible bonds of the American railways company.

Employés of the National Biscuit company continue to purchase the company's shares, mostly the preferred. This class of buying has resulted in keeping preferred stock above par almost from the time the offer was first made.

Since it developed that the money market would probably not show continued further stringency there has been an improvement in the demand for bonds. This is anticipatory of an easier money market later on.

Wasserman Bros. yesterday bid 84 for 6,000 shares or any part of Erie common and got about half of it from scattered sellers.

Sales on the Chicago stock exchange yesterday were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
American Can pfd	120	45¾	45	45¾
Chicago Title and Trust	35	168	168	168
Diamond Match	40	167	167	167
National Biscuit	100	45⅜	45¾	45⅛
Do pfd	77	168¾	168¾	168¾
National Carbon pfd	5	99	99	99
North Chicago	100	100	100	100
Street's Stable Car	300	30¼	30¼	30¼
Swift & Co	50	125½	125	125
United Boxboard pfd	25	52	52	52

BONDS.

$5000 Met L extension 4s	100¾

Clearings at the larger cities yesterday and a week ago were:

	Dec. 24.	Dec. 17.
New York	$280,372,796	$278,063,221
Chicago	20,910,983	20,100,350
Boston	22,418,933	24,707,031
Philadelphia	23,926,165	23,902,458
St. Louis	7,526,180	8,662,170
Baltimore	3,554,304	4,215,288

New York exchange sold yesterday as follows: Chicago, par before clearings, 25c premium after; St. Louis, 25c premium.

IN THE BOSTON MONEY MARKET.

General Tendency of Cash, Bonds, Copper Stocks, and Other Securities at the Hub.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Business in the local exchanges dropped to a small volume and not much business was done in the coppers, but sentiment was favorable to higher prices just as soon as the money market settles down to a comfortable level.

Description.	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amal. Copper	1,360	68¾	69⅜	67⅝	69⅛
Adventure	100	13½	13⅝	13½	13½
Allouez	125	2¾	2¾	2½	2¾
Atlantic	113	7	7	7	7
Am. Tel	193	163½	164	163½	163½
Atchison	510	82⅞	83¾	82½	82⅞
Do pfd	100	99⅝	99⅝	99⅝	99⅝
Am. Sugar	3,530	129⅝	132½	129⅝	132⅜
Do pfd	34	120	120	120	120
Am. Chem. pfd	10	80½	80½	80½	80½
Am. Pneumatic	150	6	6	6	6
Am. Woolen pr	105	77⅛	77⅛	77½	77⅛
Bingham	454	28½	28⅝	28⅝	29
Copper Range	1,150	56	57	56	56⅝
Cons. Mercur	160	1⅞	1 13-16	1 13-16	1 13-16
Centennial	4,000	16⅝	17⅜	16½	17⅛
Daly West	100	40	40	40	40
Dom. Steel	210	57½	58½	57½	58½
Guanajuato	600	2⅞	3	2⅞	2⅞
Mass. Mining	350	13½	14	13½	14
Mont. & Bost	1,600	2¾	2¾	2½	2¾
Mass. Gas pfd	121	84½	84½	84½	84½
Mont. Coke	200	4¼	4¼	4¼	4¼
Mergenthaler	50	179	179	179	179
Mayflower	100	1½	1½	1½	1½
Parrot	200	25¼	25¼	25⅞	25⅝
Pere Marquette	13	80	80	80	80
Rhode Island	100	2	2	2	2
Shannon	650	9⅝	9¾	9½	9⅝
Tamarack	11	145	148	145	148
Un. Shoe Mchy	4	49	49	49	49
Do pfd	93	30¾	30⅜	30⅛	30¾
Utah	1,200	25⅞	25⅞	25½	25⅝
U. S. Mining	1,265	21¼	21⅞	21⅛	21⅝
Un. Fruit	125	110	110	109½	109½
U. S. Coal & Oil	280	14	14	14	14
Un. Pac	600	98	98⅜	98	98⅜
Winona	95	4½	4½	4½	4½

BONDS.

$ 6000 Am Tel 4s	98	$17000 do 5s	96¼-½
10000 B. Gas 5s	75¼	1000 West Tel 5s	104½
1000 CBQ 7s	101		

IN FOREIGN MONEY MARKETS.

General Tendency of Cash, Bonds, and Other Securities at London, Paris, and Berlin.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Money was in active request today, and the supplies were short, considerable cash being owing to the bank of England. Discounts were harder. On the stock exchange no business was transacted beyond that connected with the mining contangos, which were mostly arranged yesterday. Consols were steady. Americans relapsed and there were a few realizations, but they were afterward disposed to harden, became irregular, and closed quiet. Grand Trunks were firm. Kaffirs were maintained.

Closing stocks:

Consols for money	92 15-16	Mo., Kas. & Tex.	28¼
Do for acct	93	N. Y. Central	155¼
Anaconda	4⅛	Norfolk & Western	72⅜
Atchison	84¼	Do pfd	93½
Do pfd	102	Ont. & West	30½
Balto. & Ohio	99⅜	Pennsylvania	70½
Canadian Pac	132½	Rand Mines	11⅜
Ches. & Ohio	47	Reading	32½
Chi. Gt. Western	25½	Do 1st pfd	44½
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	170½	Do 2d pfd	39½
Do pfd	225	Southern Railway	32½
Den. & Rio G.	40	Do pfd	94½
Do pfd	93	Southern Pacific	64⅝
Erie	24⅛	Union Pacific	100¾
Do 1st pfd	66	Do pfd	95
Do 2d pfd	47	U. S. Steel	35¼
Illinois Central	148½	Do pfd	89¾
Louisv. & Nashv	126½	Wabash	25⅜
		Do pfd	43

Bar silver, steady, 22d per oz. Money, 4 per cent. Rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 4@4¼ per cent; for three months' bills, 4 per cent.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Prices opened hesitatingly on the bourse today, but, led by foreigners, they gained some firmness toward the close. Industrials were firm. Rio Tintos receded on New York advices, but subsequently rallied slightly. Kaffirs were firm and more active.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Business was hesitating on the boerse today owing to New York advices, but prices were fairly maintained. Iron shares advanced. Canadian Pacific relapsed.

SUES THORNTON & CHANCELLOR

Dr. Hercules Sanche Asks an Accounting with Law Firm—Also Wants His Papers Back.

The law firm of Thornton & Chancellor has been made defendant in a suit for accounting filed in the Circuit court by Dr. Hercules Sanche and the Animarium company. In the bill it is declared that Thornton & Chancellor have received $30,000 as fees and expense money, and that they demand $17,000 more.

Dr. Sanche declares that in 1899 he employed Thornton & Chancellor to conduct litigation against persons who were infringing on the patents of the Animarium company. It is alleged that the firm has done nothing more than file a number of bills and conduct one trial in Des Moines, Ia.

It is, in fact, alleged in the bill that Thornton & Chancellor, after they were dismissed from the service of Dr. Sanche, kept all the papers which they held, and have refused to turn them over to Dr. Sanche or his solicitor. The bill further alleges that at least $20,000 of the money which Dr. Sanche paid them has been retained, and that they refused to make an accounting.

Mr. Chancellor said that Dr. Sanche owed them a large sum, not only for services performed but at least $8,000 for money which they had paid in conducting the litigation.

"Of course we have some papers of Dr. Sanche's, and we propose to keep them until our bill is paid. We shall be glad to have an accounting by the court," he said.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION
—OF THE—
HOME SAVINGS BANK
Chicago National Bank Bldg., 152 Monroe St.
At the Opening of Business Dec. 22, 1902.

RESOURCES.

Municipal Bonds	$ 37,000.00
Municipal Certificates	239,000.00
Railroad Bonds	1,325,000.00
Other Bonds	740,000.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks	317,882.41
Total	$2,658,882.41

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 100,000.00
Surplus	25,000.00
Undivided Profits	25,020.31
Premium Account	38,095.37
Savings Deposits	2,470,766.73
Total	$2,658,882.41

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SAFE DEPOSIT VAULTS. The most spacious and complete Safe Deposit Vaults in the

MARKET DULL BUT STRONG

WALL STREET IN USUAL ANTE-CHRISTMAS CONDITION.

Brokers Engage in Jollification During Most of the Day—Much Strength Results from Short Covering, and Stimulus Is Added by Advance in Brooklyn Rapid Transit Shares — General Tendency Is Toward More Favorable Conditions.

[BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The stock market today was as dull and strong as yesterday it was dull and weak. It was the usual ante-Christmas affair. Many speculators make it a rule to have only small commitments outstanding in the holiday season and to pass Christmas at least with minds free.

On the cotton and produce exchanges today festivity and merrymaking absorbed the entire attention of the members, and on the stock exchange little except jollification was seen in the last hour.

A good deal of the strength came from the covering of short contracts. An especial stimulus to the rise was, however, the advance in the Brooklyn Rapid Transit shares. The buying here was not believed to be for the account of the interests in present control of the company, and for lack of a better explanation Wall street reverted to the rather ancient theory that the Pennsylvania railroad company or parties in close touch with that corporation were buying Brooklyn Rapid Transit stock.

There are reasons why the control of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit might naturally rest eventually in the hands of the Pennsylvania company, but whether these reasons have ever forcibly impressed themselves upon the managers of the Pennsylvania system is a much disputed point. There is a short interest always extant in Brooklyn Rapid Transit, and the closing out of speculations of this nature undoubtedly helped the advance in the stock today.

The market opened weak, then became strong, and for the last half of the session was dull to the point of stagnation. Besides Brooklyn Rapid Transit, Canadian Pacific was active at a moderately higher price range. It seems to be the general impression that the pool in Canadian Pacific was not shaken out of its holdings in the recent break in the market, and the indications are that it is disposed to advance the price of the stock whenever opportunity offers.

The strength of the market was notable because it did not weaken under the high rates for call money. These rates held firmly between 8 per cent and 10 per cent. The banks have lost to the subtreasury but $92,000 thus far during the week; $250,000 was telegraphed here today from San Francisco to be loaned on stock market collateral; but $550,000 was sent to New Orleans to assist the sugar planters in moving their crops. It is said demands of this nature from southern agricultural interests are likely to continue for two months.

Saturday's bank statement is awaited with much interest, for the light it may throw on the puzzling and important question as to whether money is returning from the interior of the country, and if so, whether it is returning in quantity sufficient to afford relief in New York. So far the indications pointing to this relief are rather slender.

IN NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

General Tendency of Cash, Bonds, Railroad Stocks, and Other Securities in Wall Street.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The stock market closed firm today at the top level of the day, with set gains in a few of the prominent railroads and specialties reaching a point or more. The day's movement of prices was not of much significance and the dealings were on a small scale, except in the local traction group, in which there was some large buying without explanation.

There was some distributed activity in the bond market, but the price movement was irregular. Totals sales, par value, $1,080,000.

Close: Money on call firm at 6@10 per cent, closing offered at 8. Time money firmer; sixty and ninety days and six months, 6 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486.75 for demand and 483.125 for sixty day bills. Posted rates, 484 and 487¼. Commercial bills, 482¾@483½.

Bar silver, 48¼; Mexican dollars, 38.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE TRANSACTIONS.

Description.	Sales.	High.	Low.	Dc. 24.	Dc. 23.
Am. Sugar	16,900	128¾	126¾	128¾	126¾
Do pfd	200	129¾	129¾	129¾	....
Am. Locomotive	400	27¼	27	27¼	27¼
Do pfd	200	94	94	94	94
Am. Cotton Oil	100	44	44	44	44¼
Do pfd	200	98	97¾	98	....
Am. Smelting	300	40	39¾	39¾	40¼
Do pfd	100	96¾	96¾	96¾	92½
Am. Bicycle	500	....	....	....	....
Do pfd	100	24½	24½	24½	2
Am. Steel Hdry	200	14¾	14¾	14¾	....
Am. Malting	100	6	5	5	....
Am. Car & Fdry	200	34¼	34¼	34¼	34¾
Do pfd	200	89½	89	89½	....
Am. Ice	200	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
Do pfd	100	39	39	39	92
Atchison	6,300	83	82	83	82¾
Do pfd	1,100	99¼	98¾	99¾	99
Anaconda	300	88	88	88	89½
Amal. Copper	13,500	59¾	57¾	59¾	58¾
Am. Grass T	300	29	29	29	29½
Bkyn. Rap. Tran.	6,900	69¼	68¾	69¾	67¾
Balto. & Ohio	11,000	97¾	96¾	97¾	97¼
Corn Products	200	29¾	29¾	29¾	30
Chi. & Alton	700	32¾	31¾	32¾	32¼
Do pfd	100	70¾	70¾	70¾	70¼
C. M. & St. P	23,700	170¾	174¼	170¾	170¼
C. & N. W	217	217	217	217	216½
C. R. I. & P	19,200	43¾	41¾	43¾	42¾
Do pfd	2,300	82¾	81¾	82¾	81½
Ches. & Ohio	100	46¼	46¼	46¼	46½
Canada So	300	72	71	72	72¼
Chicago Tobacco	6,300	130¾	125¾	130¾	129¾
Do Tobacco pfd	400	115¾	115¾	115¾	115¾
Con. Gas. (N. Y.)	100	211	211	211	211
Colo. & Southern	800	27¾	26¾	27¼	27¼
Do 1st pfd	100	43	43	43	43¼
Chi. Un. Traction	600	15	14½	15	14½
Colo. Fuel & Iron	300	71¾	70¾	71¾	70¾
C., L. & W	300	73	72	73	....
Chi. & Gt. Western	1,400	24¾	24¼	24¾	24¾
Do pfd B	400	37¾	37	37¾	38¾
Del. & Hudson	400	163	163	163	164
Del., Lack. & Western	800	39	39	39	39
Denver & Rio Grande	100	39	39	39	39½
Do pfd	800	91¾	90	91¾	90¾
Dist. Sec. Corp	300	31	30¾	31	31
D., S. S. & A. pfd	100	24½	24½	24½	25¼
Erie	14,900	34¾	33¾	34¼	34
Do 1st pfd	1,000	65¾	65¾	65¾	64¾
Do 2d pfd	400	46¾	45¾	46¾	46
E. & T. H	200	67¾	67¾	67¾	67¼
E. W. & D. C	100	61	61	61	....
Gen. Electric	200	177	177	177	176¾
Gt. Northern pfd	1,000	194¾	194¼	195¼	195¼
Hock. Valley pfd	100	96¼	96¼	96¼	96
Ill. Central	1,300	144¾	143¾	144¾	144
Iowa Central	200	38	38	38	38¼
Do pfd	100	68¾	68¾	68¾	68
Kan. & Mich	400	46	45¾	46	....
K. C. & So. pfd	100	53¼	53¼	53¼	....
L. & D. M	100	35	35	35	....
Louis. & Nash	4,100	124¼	123	124¼	123¼
Man. Beach	100	11	11	11	....
Met. Securities	1,100	121	119¾	121	119¼
M. St. P. & S.S.M.	400	74	73	73¾	73
Do pfd	100	122	122	122	123
Manhattan	9,200	147¼	145	147	145¾
M. K. & T	200	25¾	25¾	25¾	25¼
Do pfd	200	55¾	55¾	55¾	56
Met. St. Ry	800	139¾	137	139	139¼
Mex. Cent. [Ltd.]	200	22	22	22	22¼
Missouri Pacific	12,700	104¾	104⅜	106¾	105¾
Minn. & St. Louis	100	106¾	106¾	106¾	106¼
National Lead	1,700	20¼	20¼	20¼	20¼
N. Y. Central	4,200	151¾	150⅝	151¼	151¾
Norfolk	2,300	71	70¾	71	71
N. Am. Co	200	116	116	116¼	....
N. Y., O. & W	4,400	30¾	29¾	30¾	29¾
People's Gas	900	101¾	101¾	101¾	101¾
Pa. R. R	12,200	154¾	153⅝	153⅝	154
Pacific Mail	100	39	39	39	....
Pressed Steel Car	1,900	60¾	59¾	60¾	59¾
Railway pfd	900	70¾	70¾	70¾	71
Reading	36,100	64¾	63	64¾	63¼
Do 1st pfd	2,300	86¾	85¾	86¾	....
Rubber Goods	50	71¼	71¼	71¼	71
Rep. Iron & Steel	400	19¾	19¼	19¾	19¼
Do pfd	300	76¾	76	76	76¾
Ry. Steel Spring	100	34	34	34	....
Do pfd	300	86	85¾	86	86¼
Southern Ry	5,000	32¾	31¾	32¾	32
Do pfd	200	92	92	92	92¾
Southern Pacific	7,700	63¾	62¾	63¾	62¾
St. L. & S. W	100	25¾	25¾	26¼	26¾
Do pfd	700	57	56	60	20
St. L. & S. F	500	71¾	71	71¾	71¾
Sloss. S. & I	100	57	57	57	57
St. L. & S. F. 2d	200	27¼	27¼	27¼	27¼
Do pfd	100	45	45	45	45¾
Texas Pacific	6,000	39¾	38¼	39¾	39¾
Twin City	100	114¾	114¾	114¾	115¼
U. S. Reduction	100	32¾	32¾	32¾	....
U. S. Realty	100	25¾	25¾	25¾	25¼
Do pfd	500	69¾	68¾	68¾	69¾
Tenn. Coal & I	300	57	56	57	....
Union Pacific	10,900	99¾	97¾	99	98¼
Do pfd	1,100	93	92¾	93	92¾
Ry. Inv. Co	200	20¾	20	20	....
Do pfd	100	62¼	62¼	62¼	....
U. S. Leather	500	12	11¾	12	12
Do pfd	100	88	88	88	88
U. S. Steel	12,900	35	34	34¾	34¾
Do pfd	2,400	84¼	83¾	84	84¼
Va.-Caro. Chem	300	60	60	60	60
W. & L. E. 1st pfd	100	53	53	53	53¼
Do 2d pfd	100	34¼	34¼	34¼	33¾
Wabash	800	28¼	27¾	28¼	28
Do pfd	1,600	42	41¾	42	42
Wis. Central	2,700	26¼	25¾	26¼	25½
Do pfd	2,100	52¾	50¾	52¾	50¾
Western Union	100	87¾	87¾	87¾	87¼

*Dividend 1¾ per cent.
Total sales of stocks, 363,200 shares.

EXPRESS STOCKS.

Adams	200	United States	130
American	220	Fargo	230

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg	107¾	U. S. new 4s, coup	135¼
U. S. old 4s, reg	109		
U. S. old 4s, coup	110		
U. S. 5s, reg	103¾		
U. S. 5s, coup	103¾		

NEW YORK BOND SALES AND QUOTATIONS—10 A. M. TO 3 P. M.

1000 Atch gen 4s 101¼
2000 do adj 91
2000 do adj stamped 90¾
10000 Am H-L 6s 94⅞
5000 Ann Arbor 4s 87
10000 Am Bicycle 5s 40½
24000 B-O 4s 102-½
10000 do S W 3½s 89¼-¾
2000 Can So 1st 107
13000 C Pac 4s 101⅝-¾
5000 C-O 4½s 108⅞
5000 do R-A 1st 4s 103½
2000 C-A 3s 83
7000 do 3½s 79⅝-¾
25000 C B-Q joint 95⅝-96
13000 do 1in 3½s 93¼-⅜
10000 do Neb 5s 4s 107½
138000 C R I-P 4s 85¾-86⅛
5000 Chi Term 4s 86
102000 Cons Tob 4s 84½-85
23000 C F I conv 95
3000 Cent Ga 2d inc 36
13000 D M-M L G 5s 89
9000 Erie genlien 4s 85¾-¼
14000 do conv 4s 86¾-99¼
7000 E T V-G con 58 119-¾
5000 Ft W-D C 1st 110
2000 H-T C gm 4s 92
15000 H V 4½s 87¾-88
1000 Ill C 4s 1955 102½
5000 K C Ft S-M 4s 86
40000 Kings Co El 4s 89
1000 L-W B Coal
Total sales of bonds, $1,007,000.

U. S. old 4s, reg 109
U. S. old 4s, coup 110
U. S. 5s, reg 103¾
U. S. 5s, coup 103¾

4½s 100¾
5000 L-N unf 4s 101⅛
5000 Mid N J 1st 112
1000 M K-T 4s 97⅜
2000 do 2d 82-¾
11000 Man con 4s 103¾
5000 Mo P con 5s 121
23000 do 5s 1920 104¾-105
3000 N Y C 3½s 100
4000 N Y C L 3½s 93¾
6000 do reg 91-92
1000 N-W ex 5s 131
1000 do Pocahontas 4s 91
8000 N Pac 3s 71¼-72¾
5000 do 4s 103¾
1000 N Y L-W 1st 125¾
2000 O R-N conv 100¾
70000 O S L 4s 94¾-95¾
42000 Rdg gen 4s 90¾-¾
5000 St L-I M 4s 91
1000 So Ry 5s 120
15000 St L S W 1st 2d 85¾-86
5000 S A-A P 4s 86¾-¾
6000 So Pac 4s 90¾
23000 Third Ave 4s 100-¼
18000 T St L-W 4s 75¾-76
5000 do 2d 50
2000 U P 4s 104¾
96000 do conv 104¼-105¼
1000 Wab 1st 5s 112
2000 do 2d 108-¾
20000 do deb B 74¼-75
10000 W Pac 1st 5s 104¼
3000 W L E con 4s 93
19000 Wis C 4s 91¾-92
2000 W S gtd 4s reg 100

IN THE NEW YORK MARKETS.

Current and Closing Quotations on Dry Goods, Coffee, Poultry, Butter, and Metals.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Buying of heavy brown cottons for export to China continued and the tone of the market for these goods was firmer. There is no change in the home demand of any moment. Print cloths are quiet but steady. In woolen goods business is mostly in keepers for overcoats and cloaks, and prices are firm.

Range of Coffee Prices.

Coffee—Opening dull and unchanged, ruled generally quiet under a light trading, which was influenced by the approaching holidays and the featureless foreign news. The close was at a partial decline of 5 points. Sales were about 1,000 bags. The spot market today was quiet, with quotations unchanged, on the basis of 5¼c for Rio No. 7.

Poultry, Alive or Dressed.

Alive—Chickens, per lb, 10c; fowls, prime heavy, 12c; do light weights, 11c; roosters, 8c; turkeys, 14@15c; ducks, western average, per pair, 80c@$1.00; geese, western average, $1.50@1.62. Dressed—Dry packed turkeys, fancy, per lb, 18c; do fair to good, 16@17c; do state and Pennsylvania, fancy, 18c; do Ohio and Michigan, fancy, 18c; do fair to good, 16@17c; other western scalded fancy, 17½@18c; do dry picked, fancy, 17½@18c; do fair to prime, 15@17c; do old, 15½@16c; do common to fair, 13@14c; chickens, Ohio, western, fancy, 12½@13c; do fair to good, 11@12c; capons, Ohio, fancy large, 18@19c; do mixed, 16@17c; fowls, Ohio and Michigan, scalded, fancy, 12@12½c; other western, fancy, 12c; do fair to good, 11@11½c.

Butter of All Grades.

Creamery, extras, per lb, 28c; do, firsts, 26@27½c; do, seconds, 23½@25c; do, held extras, 25½@26c; dairy, tubs, fancy, 26c; do, firsts, 24@25c; do, seconds, 22@23c; western imitation creamery, finest, 21½@22c; do, fair to prime, 18½@20c; do, lower grades, 17@18c; renovated, extras, 22@22½c; do, common to prime, 16½@21c; western factory, held, finest, 18@18½c; do, lower grades, 16½@17½c; do, current make, finest, 18@18½c; do, seconds, 17@17¾c; packing stock, 16½@18c.

In the Metal Markets.

Tin advanced 10s at London. The local market also was firm and higher, spot closing at $25.95@26.15. London declined 2s 6d on copper. Locally copper was unchanged and nominal at $10.75 for standard; $11.65 for lake; $11.45 for electrolytic and casting. Lead and spelter were unchanged at London, but spelter declined another 5 points in New York, closing at $4.75. The foreign iron markets were steady, with Glasgow quoted at 53s 10d, and Middlesboro at 46s 10½d. Locally iron remained quiet.

DOMESTIC PRODUCE MARKETS.

Current and Closing Quotations on Grain, Cotton, and Provisions at Leading Exchanges.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Holiday in the grain markets.

Eggs—Receipts, 3,125 pkgs. Steady. State and Pennsylvania, average best, 28c; western fancy, graded, 28c; western poor to prime, 20@25c; refrigerated, 18¼@21c.

Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining, 3 7-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 15-16c; molasses sugar, 3c; refined steady.

Cotton—Futures closed steady; December, 8.48c; January, 8.52c; February, 8.29c; March, 8.32c; April, 8.32c; May, 8.34c; June, 8.33c; July, 8.34c; August, 8.17c; September, 7.91c. Spot closed quiet and steady; middling uplands, 8.75c; middling gulf, 9c; sales, 100 bales.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 24.—Close: Wheat—Steady; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 73¾c asked; track, 74c; May, 76¾@76¾c; July, 72¼c, nominal; No. 2 hard, 69@73¼c. Corn—Strong; No. 2, cash, 44½@44¾c; track, 44½@44¾c; December, 46¼c; May, 39½@39¾c bid. Oats—Steady; No. 2, cash, 32c; track, 33c; May, 33¼c; No. 2 white, 35c. Lead—Steady; $3.95. Spelter—Lower; $4.45. Flour—Steady; red winter patents, $3.35@3.50; extra fancy and straight, $3.05@3.30; clear, $2.90@3.00. Wool—Firm; medium grades and combing, 17@20½c; light fine, 16@19c; heavy fine, 13@15c; tub washed, 18@28c.

TRACK MEET AT Y. M. C. A. TODAY

Annual Holiday Handicap Events to Be Contested—Entry List Larger than Last Year.

The annual holiday handicap indoor track meet will be held at the Central Y. M. C. A. gymnasium this morning. The meet will begin at 10:15. Some of the best athletes in the city will compete in the events. The entry list is larger than that of last year, and it is expected that some of the Y. M. C. A. records will be broken. Among the prominent local athletes who are entered to meet are Tourtelot, Larson, Knudson, and Buechler. The events and entries are as follows:

Standing broad jump—A. B. Smith, J. J. Greene, 1 foot 6 inches; C. J. Ryan, 4 feet; M. Van Cleef, 4 feet 6 inches; J. H. Brenstein, 2 feet 6 inches; W. Wellington, 2 feet; C. H. Meyers, 2 feet 6 inches; R. Johnson, scratch; E. Larson, 1 foot; W. Paulman, 3 feet; W. E. Knudson, 2 feet 8 inches; S. Wardle, 2 feet 4 inches; C. A. Dean, 2 feet.

Pole vault—R. V. Morris, scratch; R. Maysack, 16 inches; W. Tourtelot, 28 inches; C. W. Nell, 12 inches; R. Johnson, 14 inches; P. Duesing, 20 inches.

Twelve pound shotput—A. B. Smith, 5 feet; J. J. Greene, 2 feet 6 inches; R. Maysack, 7 feet; C. J. Ryan, 6 feet; M. Van Cleef, 4 feet 6 inches; W. Merritt, 7 feet; M. B. Wellington, 8 feet; J. H. Myers, 10 feet; W. Paulman, scratch; S. Wardle, 6 feet.

Twenty yard handicap—A. L. Perry, 5 feet; R. V. Morris, 4 feet; H. J. Warren, 4 feet; J. J. Greene, 2 feet; C. Sorenson, 5 feet; C. J. Ryan, 4 feet; W. Tourtelot, 4 feet; G. Gustavson, 2 feet; M. Van Cleef, 6 feet; C. H. Meyers, 6 feet; W. William Merritt, 5 feet; M. B. Wellington, scratch; J. H. Myers, 4 feet; R. Johnson, 2 feet; E. T. Larson, scratch; W. E. Knudson, 2 feet; J. W. Langrar, 8 feet; P. Duesing, 5 feet; A. Haigh, 4 feet; S. L. Barnett, 4 feet; C. A. Dean, 2 feet.

440 yards—Joe Spiegelbauer, 25 yards, W. B. Tourtelot, 10 yards; G. Gustavson, 4 yards; M. B. Wellington, 8 yards; C. Hunsphrey, 15 yards; H. C. Humphrey, scratch; S. Wardle, 10 yards; H. W. Langrar, 14 yards; W. Dunbar, 12 yards; A. A. English, 8 yards; S. L. Barnett, 6 yards.

880 yard run—Joe Spiegelbauer, 50 yards; J. J. Greene, scratch; C. Sorensen, 30 yards; R. H. Greene, scratch; C. Sorensen, 30 yards; R. H. Pinisel, 20 yards; J. R. Lee, 22 yards; Lee Taylor, 15 yards; C. T. Gairing, 18 yards.

Mile run—C. Bidwell, 90 yards; George Hall, 90 yards; J. R. Lee, 60 yards; W. Merritt, 100 yards; C. H. Myers, 80 yards; A. Haigh, 75 yards, H. J. Buechler, scratch.

220 yard potato race—Lee Taylor, 8 yards; G. Gustavson, scratch; J. H. Brenstein, 7 yards; M. B. Wellington, 12 yards; W. Paulman, 10 yards; W. E. Knudson, scratch; S. L. Barnett, 14 yards; C. Gairing, 8 yards.

Running high jump—A. B. Smith, 1 inch; C. Sorenson, 8 inches; R. Maysack, 8 inches; M. Van Cleef, 9 inches; M. B. Wellington, 5 inches; C. W. Neill, 8 inches; R. Johnson, scratch; E. F. Larson, 1 inch; C. Humphrey, 5 inches; P. Quesing, 8 inches; C. A. Dean, 4 inches.

Noted Horseman Is Killed.

New York, Dec. 24.—Horsemen interested in harness racing were shocked to learn that the unidentified man accidentally killed by a horse while crossing Broadway at Spring street Monday evening was E. C. Walker, a trainer, driver, starting judge, and writer, who was known to followers of trotting all over the United States. Mrs. Walker recognized the description of the dead man published in the newspapers and went at once to the morgue, where her fears were confirmed.

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COUP ON CRITERION FAILS.

MEDIUM OF THE EASTERNERS' PLUNGE NEVER A CONTENDER.

John Kelly Leads Betting with Wager of $3,000 on Strength of Promising Trial, but Good Thing's Bad Legs Spoil the Attempted Killing—Jockey Redfern Accepts Four Mounts Without Landing a Winner—Boundlee and Athlana Successful.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The eastern contingent attempted to make an old fashioned cleaning up in the ring at the Crescent City Jockey club's track this afternoon in the last race of the day with the 4 year old Criterion.

John Kelly led the plunge and bet $3,000 on the son of Faraday on the strength of a fast trial which the horse had shown through the sand at the Oakland track. Criterion found the track at the fair grounds too hard for his mess of bad legs, and he was never a contender, the race going to Bummer, a 3 to 1 chance, which, according to form, should have been the favorite.

Altogether it was a bad day financially for the general public, but a few enriched themselves materially through the victories of Boundlee in the third race, six and a half furlongs, and of Athlana in the five furlongs for 2 year olds. The former was a 20 to 1 chance, and Ed Stutte led a plunge on him, while the public backed Eva Rice. Boundlee overcame a lot of early difficulties and got to the front in the last seventy yards and beat Sister Kate, the extreme outsider in the betting, which was at 75 to 1, by a length. Eva Rice never had a chance, as she got away tangled up and was in a pocket the entire journey.

Harry Beaten by Athlana.

M. H. Tichenor's Hindoo colt, Harry, was supposed to be the best in Athlana's race, but he was outrun from the start and had no excuses. Mrs. Frank Foster had the early speed, but had to give way to Athlana, who took command at the top of the stretch and had two lengths to spare at the end. Agnes Mack, a 25 to 1 chance, had a hot argument with Harry for second money, and she beat him by a nose.

Jockey Redfern made his first appearance in the saddle and had four mounts, but failed to get any of them across the line in front. That was not the eastern boy's fault, however, as that of the poor selections which had been made for him. The only race in which he finished inside of the money was in the first event, in which he had the mount on Lemoyne and finished third. Hiram Johnson, backed from 10 to 1 to 7 to 1, got home in front after racing Shrine into submission, and beat the even money favorite, Major Tenny, by a length.

Tichenor & Co.'s Ella L. was the best in the mile event and had no trouble beating Little Scout, the second favorite, by two lengths. Buchanan pulled the latter up at the start and was fined $25 for it. The start was a poor one and Kilogram and Ray were left at the post.

Sarilla had a comparatively easy time in the mile and a sixteenth, and won by a length at the favorite's price, but with an equally good ride Mosketo, which finished second, would have won.

New Orleans Summaries Dec. 24.

Weather clear. Track fast.

First race, ⅝ mile, purse $400, selling:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
7-1	Hiram Johnson, 109 [Hoar]	5	2ª	1½	1½	1ª
1-1	Mal. Tenny, 109 [Gannon]	1	3½	2½	2½	2½
10-1	Lemoyne, 102 [Redfern]	4	4ª	6ª	3ª	3ª

Time, 1:28 3-5. John Potter, 109 pounds [Otis]; Thana, 109 [E. Michaels]; Lawrence M., 110 [E. Robertson]; Whangdoodle, 109 [Helgesen]; Maxille, 99½ [Pollak]; Bushnell, 102 [Donegan], finished as named. Winner A. P. Madden's ch. g., by Flambeau—Charm. Start poor. Won easily.

Second race, ⅝ mile, purse $400, 2 year olds:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
10-1	Athlana, 109 [Rice]	2	2½	1½	1ª	1ª
28-1	Agnes Mack, 99 [Fuller]	3	3½	3ª	2ª	2ª
3-1	Harry, 109 [Helgesen]	1	1ª	2ª	3ª	3ª

Time, 1:02. Mrs. Frank Foster, 109 pounds [Fitzgerald]; Shrine, 106 [Redfern]; Farmer Jim, 113 [Buchanan]; Lauka, 107 [O'Neil]; Hindoo, 112 [Gannon]; Hindi, 106 [H. Booker]; Daddy Bender, 109 [Otis], finished as named. Winner, P. M. Tichenor & Co.'s br. f., by Athelling—Hindoo. Start good. Won easily.

Third race, 6½ furlongs, purse $400, selling:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
60-1	Sister Kate II., 104 [J. Bell]	5	5½	6½	6½	3ª
6-1	The B. Brown, 105 [Scully]	8	4ª	2½	2ª	3ª

Time, 1:21 1-5. Montanic, 108 pounds [Gleason]; Zack Ford, 104 [Hoar]; Limelight, 104 [Otis]; Ben Frost, 107 [Mason]; Few Rice, 100 [Pollak]; Kiss Quick, 103 [O'Neill]; Boomerack, 108 [H. Booker]; Iris, 103 [Gannon]; Sue Johnson, 98 [J. Booker], finished as named. Winner, B. Schreiber's br. g., by Boundless—Parolee. Start straggling. Won handily.

Fourth race, 1 mile, purse $400:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
3-1	Ella L., 102 [Fitzgerald]	1	1½	1½	1ª	1ª
5-2	Little Scout, 107 [Buchanan]	4	6	6	5ª	2ª
15-1	Artana, 111 [J. Winkfield]	6	3ª	3ª	2ª	3ª

Time, 1:41 2-5. Nitrate, 110 pounds [Redfern]; Rough Rider, 107 [J. Conley]; Antonius, 110 [Hoar], finished as named. Kilogram, 110 [Gannon]; Ray, 102 [Scully], left at the post. Winner, M. H. Tichenor & Co.'s b. f., by St. Leonards—Elsie. Start poor. Won easily.

Fifth race, 1 1-16 miles, purse $400, selling:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
1-1	Sarilla, 105 [Munro]	5	2½	1½	1ª	1ª
7-2	Mosketo, 102 [Foley]	3	1ª	2ª	2ª	2ª
7-1	Marcos, 99 [Scully]	1	4ª	3ª	3ª	3ª

Time, 1:50. Annie Laurette, 101 pounds [M. Johnson]; Saffa Coat, 103 [Phillips]; Peter Duryea, 106 [Hoar]; Croesus, 103½ [Fauntleroy], finished as named. Winner, R. M. Westerfeld's br. h., by Spendthrift—Miss Le Roy. Start good. Won cleverly.

Sixth race, 6½ furlongs, purse $400, selling:

Bet.	Horse, weight, jockey.	St.	¼	½	Str.	Fn.
8-1	Stuyve, 102 [Donnelly]	6	1½	1½	1½	1ª
18-5	Millas, 88 [Connell]	2	3½	2½	2½	2½
6-5	Horton, 112 [Bullman]	3	2ª	5½	4½	3½

Time, 1:48. Sleeping Child, 93 pounds [Moran]; Frank Woods, 109 [J. Ranch]; Velma Clark, 103 [Birkenruth], finished as named. Winner, P. M. Burch's b. c., by Stuyvesant—Katie A. Start good. Won driving.

Ingleside Entries.

First race, ⅞ mile, selling—Maggie Felix, 109 pounds; Greyfield, 108; Handpress, 108; Oeo, 105; Haralamb, 106; St. Rica, 105; Galanthus, 104; Deliverance, 100; Platonius, 100.

Second race, ⅝ mile, all ages, selling—Mildred Schuls, 107 pounds; Matt Hogan, 106; Louwaisen, 108; Jim Hale, 105; Jim Hale, 103; Rolitaire, 103; Jarretiere d'Or, 103; Tower of Candles, 103; Stunts, 90; Gladys Bell, 87; Bucolic, 82; Esher-in, 82.

Third race, Futurity course, 2 year olds, selling—Fort Wayne, 109 pounds; Orfeo, 106; Gus Lanka, 108; Edna Rose, 100; Ante [formerly Auntie], 100; Iras, 100; Onyx II., 100; Dora Wier, 100; Little Mararet, 95.

Fourth race, 1¼ miles, the Christmas handicap, $2,500 added—Articulate, 125 pounds; Corrigan, 119; Venvitan, 118; Nones, 117; Siddons, 116; Water Cure, 102; El Rio Shannon, 102; Bessie McCarthy, 100; Marque, 99.

Fifth race, ⅝ mile, 2 year olds, handicap—Durango, 115 pounds; Gaviota, 113; Arabo, 111; Polonius, 108; James F., 105.

Sixth race, 1 mile, selling—Golden Light, 108 pounds; Illowaho, 107; Ada N., 105; Antolee, 105; Sweet Tooth, 103; Rosin, 102; Virgie d'Or, 100; Bill Massie, 100.

Ingleside Track Notes.

F. Romigh, the Montana horseman, today claimed Assessment out of a selling race.

The Christmas handicap at a mile and a quarter, with a good field engaged, will be the feature of the sport at Ingleside tomorrow. The promise is for fair weather.

Willis Caywood received notification today that a contract with some Russian horseman had arrived for him at Chicago. Caywood expects to go to the other side next season.

JUDGES ACTIVE AT NEWPORT.

Flop's Use of Blinkers Questioned by Officials—Quarters for Foreign Book Are Completed.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Disagreeable weather proved to be no handicap to the usual racegoer today at Newport. A number of new horses arrived from Memphis, Lexington, and Middletown, O. Quarters for a foreign book have been completed.

The judges sprung their usual sensation in the third race by calling Jockey Cunningham to the stand on Flop, odds on favorite, for having blinkers placed on the animal. He said Flop was used to running with blinkers, yet he was sent up for this race without blinkers. The best Flop did was third. Summaries:

First race, 6½ furlongs—Postillion, 114 pounds [Goodyear], 8 to 5, won; Julietta B., 116 [Mountain], 20 to 1, second; Ringleader, 124 [Morgan], 6 to 5, third. Time, 1:29.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Dr. Carr, 105 pounds [Mountain], 7 to 1, won; Belle Bernard, 110 [Cunningham], 7 to 10, second; Frank Kessinger, 113 [Burris], 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:07.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Little Emmy, 113 pounds [Goodyear], 3 to 1, won; Juniper, 116 [Mountain], 6 to 1, second; Flop, 116 [Cunningham], 7 to 10, third. Time, 1:21.

Fourth race, 5 furlongs—Hi Kollar, 108 pounds [Gaines], 7 to 10, won; Ben Boy, 121 [Benner], 2 to 1, second; Maggie Young, 108 [Fitzmorris], 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:07½.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Orrie Goan, 108 pounds [Mountain], 2 to 1, won; Ada Russell, 111 [Goodyear], 12 to 1, second; San Flea, 103 [Johnson], 2 to

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HOLIDAY SALE.

Soiled handkerchiefs.

All the soiled and mussed Handkerchiefs—in men's women's and children's—all kinds and styles—go on special counters for Friday, handkerchiefs worth up to 50c for 10c; handkerchiefs worth to 25c for..... **5c**

A big lot Japonette Handkerchiefs, with silk initials in corner, nearly all initials, worth 10c, for, each..... **5c**

A special lot Men's and Women's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, all clean, 6 in box for 90c, or, each..... **15c**

Mufflers—to close lot—All-Silk Mufflers, all combinations, mufflers worth $2.00 for..... **98c**

A big lot Embroidered Turnover Top Collars, plenty of patterns to pick from, worth 15c, for, each..... **5c**

Great sacrifice of

Men's rumpled neckwear.

All the newest and latest styles, slightly soiled from handling, at one remarkably low price.

Hundreds of dozens of fine Tecks, Four-in-Hands and English Squares, costing from $3.50 to $6.00 per dozen, some slightly mussed, many still in original boxes and all worth from 45c to 75c. We want to sell them quickly to make room for new stock and put them all in at one price..... **25c**

Art novelties

slightly damaged from handling.

33% off all Pin Cushions, Sofa Pillows, Burnt Wood Novelties, Burnt Leather Novelties, Head Rests, Soiled Linen Lunch Cloths, Scarfs and Centers, Etc., Etc.

China, glass and dinnerware.

33 1/3% Discount Off

our entire line of Fancy China, Bric-a-Brac, Marble Busts and Pedestals, French Bronzes, Royal Vienna Vases, Plaques, Beer Steins, Jardinieres and Cuspidors, Toilet and Japanese Goods, all in exquisite designs.

Friday Bargains in Remnants

Silk and wool waistings.

Thousands of the finest kind pretty Silk Stripes, Persian Stripes, Self-Colored Stripes and All-Wool Waistings, all choice colorings; fabrics that sold readily at 50c, 75c, $1.00 and $1.25 per yard; all good lengths, 2 to 6 yd. pieces, make beautiful waists, also for children's wear—on bargain counters, yard, 39c, 29c and..... **19c**

An Extraordinary Sale of

Soiled gloves

for Men and Women at Friday Bargain Prices Unheard of Before.

Women's Kid Gloves, soiled and mussed, value up to $1.00—choice..... **25c**

Women's Kid Gloves, all the better grades—they also have been soiled and mussed during our holiday rush—choice..... **50c**

Men's Gloves, in kid, dogskin and mocha, lined and unlined, slightly mussed but none the worse for that—choice..... **50c**

Curtain bargains

Look where you will you cannot match them.

Sample Curtains, Nottingham and cable nets, slightly soiled and imperfect, worth from $1.00 to $2.00 each..... **45c**

Madras Net Weave Curtains, in handsome brussels effect, strong and durable, $2.00 curtain, per pair..... **$1.39**

Ruffled Net Curtains, made of finest nets, with handsome lace trimmings, some two and three pair lots marked to close—clearance price, per pair, $2.39, $1.98 and..... **$1.59**

Tapestry Portieres, one and two pair lots—balance from our Christmas rush, $7.00 and $8.00 portieres, while they last, per pair..... **$5.98**

White Madras Curtains—beautiful dining room and library curtains, cheap at $2.00 pair..... **$1.69**

Brussels, Battenberg, Pt. Calais and Arabian Curtains—a collection of one, two and three pair lots slightly soiled, actually worth from $5 to $12 pair, $7.50, $6.50, $5.50 and..... **$3.50**

Swissoline—Simpson, best quality, worth 15c yard..... **10c**

Hungarian cloth, in handsome colorings and patterns, 25c quality, clearance sale, yard..... **14c**

Wonderful Values in

Women's coats, girls' and misses' cloaks, waists.

The Big Store's ready-to-wear garments have prestige and are universally recognized as the very best, and our after-holiday prices are sure to interest wise and knowing shoppers who have delayed buying until now.

Women's coats.

Women's 58-in. Coats, Newmarket styles, worth $10.00—Friday..... **$3.75**

Women's Blouse Coats, all-wool kersey, satin lined, peplum skirt, new sleeves, worth $12.00—Bargain Friday..... **$5.00**

Women's 40 to 44-inch Coats, of kersey, oxford and frieze, satin lined—bargain Friday..... **$5.00**

Women's Monte Carlo Coats, fine kersey, all satin lined, worth $12.50—Bargain Friday..... **$6.75**

Women's Swell Monte Carlo Coats with capes, collarless effect, made of kersey, oxford and sibeline, all heavy satin lined; values up to $18.50, Barg'n Friday..... **$10.00**

Girls' and misses' cloaks.

Girls' and Misses' Warm Winter Coats, of heavy melton cloth, cape collar, handsomely trimmed, some with rolling storm collar, ages 6 to 14, vals. up to $3—Bargain Friday..... **$1.50**

Girls' and Misses' Coats of Kersey, Melton and Cheviots, new flaring storm collar, some with large collar, braid trimmed, new sleeves, ages 6 to 14, values $5.00—Bargain Friday..... **$2.50**

Girls' and Misses' Monte Carlo and Box Coats, with new kimono or bishop sleeves, new colors and swell styles, ages 6 to 14, made to sell for $7.50—Bargain Friday..... **$3.50**

Girls' and Misses' Full Length Double Cape Box Coats of camelshair and zibeline cloaking—also three-quarter Kersey Coats—all silk lined, and three-quarter Monte Carlo Coats, ages 6 to 14, values $10.00—Bargain Friday..... **$5.00**

Misses' and Girls' Full Length Monte Carlo Coats, full length box coats, kersey & zibeline, some silk lined, ages 6 to 14, $15 coats, Friday..... **$7.50**

Misses' and Girls' Swell Full Length and Three-Quarter Coats, jaunty blouse jackets, made of finest kerseys, vicunas, cheviots and zibelines, garments from our remaining $20.00 and $25.00 coats—placed on sale Bargain Friday..... **$10.00**

Waist bargains for Friday.

Get in line tomorrow for the greatest Shirt Waist bargains ever known, all reliable, stylish waists.

Heavy Fleece Flannel Waists, new designs, in dark colors, 75c values, Friday..... **35c**

French Flannel Waists, sample line, values $1.25, all colors, Friday..... **79c**

Silk Waists, one lot of waists from broken lines, former selling $5.00, Friday..... **$2.45**

Peau de Soie and Taffeta Silk Waists (slightly soiled) values $8.98, Friday..... **$3.98**

Friday bargains in .....

Men's hats.

A clean-up of the accumulation of the holiday business.

They are all BLACKS. All this season's latest style hats, worth up to $2.00, choice tomorrow..... **50c**

Friday bargains

Women's knit underwear

Women's Extra Heavy Fleeced Vests and Pants, goods that have sold earlier in the season for 29c, at..... **19c**

Women's Combed Egyptian Yarn Vests, regular 50c quality; seconds..... **25c**

Women's 75c, $1, and $1.25 Wool Underwear, several broken lines, all on one special counter for quick clearance..... **50c**

Children's Munsing Wool Plaited Union Suits, small sizes only—formerly sold at 75c and $1.00..... **25c**

Women's Imported Fancy Lisle Hosiery, 35c and 50c quality, somewhat rumpled from our Christmas rush; Bargain Friday..... **25c**

Women's Munsing Union Suits, wool plaited, in sizes to fit, 32 & 34 bust, have sold at $1.35—price to close..... **50c**

Children's Ribbed Fleeced Vests, Pants and Drawers—sizes:

16, 18, 20.	22, 24, 26.	28, 30, 32, 34.
15c	19c	25c

Friday petticoat bargains.

Black Sateen Petticoats, flannelette lined, two ruffles..... **98c**

Fine Black Mercerized Petticoats, with plaiting, full flounce..... **$1.25**

Short Flannelette Underskirts pink and blue stripes, at..... **15c**

Pink and Blue Flannelette Underskirts, silk stitch scallop..... **39c**

Slightly soiled white aprons.

X mas display from counters, windows, etc., Aprons at 10c, 15c, and..... **25c**

Ladies' Flannelette Night Gowns, trimmed yoke and collar, Friday special at..... **39c**

Dressing sacques.

Elderdown Dressing Sacques that were $1.25 and $1.50 reduced to..... **98c**

Elderdown Bath Robes, large collar, satin bound, worsted girdle, frog fastenings..... **$1.98**

Cashmere Kimono Robes—Persian border..... **$1.98**

Flannelette House Wrappers, flounce skirt, trimmed shoulder effects, Friday special at..... **75c**

Splendid millinery values.

All the choicest goods at about half early season's prices.

Choice of any Untrimmed Colored Dress Hat Shape in stock, whether marked 75c, $1.75 or $2.25, for..... **25c**

And your choice of the following Children's Hats, each, 25c; Camel's Hair Toques, 75c quality; Knitted Toques, 50c and 75c quality; Corduroy Tams, Vel. and Cloth Tams, $1.00 values; all included in this closing sale price..... **25c**

50% from marked prices on ornaments, flowers, Fancy Feathers, the best qualities of Ostrich Plumes, Hat Trimmings.

As long as they last, Black and Colored Beaver Hats, the $3.00 quality..... **$1.95**

$25 and $20 Trimmed Hats, all new and the best—reduced to..... **$10**

$8 to $15 Trimmed Hats, all new and the best—reduced to..... **$5**

$5 to $6.75 Trimmed Hats, all new and the best—reduced to..... **$3.50**

Friday corset bargains.

Qualities above suspicion and styles absolutely the latest.

American Lady Corsets, in long, short and medium length models, all straight fronts, plain and fancy materials, handsomely trimmed, every size and color, worth from $2.00 to $4.00—Friday..... **89c**

Kabo Corsets, in the new long hip, for stout figures, and short hip for slender women, medium low bust, garter attachments, white, black and drab and pinks and blues every size to 30..... **75c**

Girdle Corsets, made of fine quality batiste and sateen, well lined, just the model for young girls and slender figures, every color..... **49c**

Straight Front Corsets, with good bust and hips, made in white, drab and black, medium low bust.. **39c**

Friday rug bargains.

Kindly note how much we have reduced them.

500 Bigelow Axminster Rugs—Extra heavy high pile quality—Oriental and Floral designs.

18x36	27x63	36x72
95c	$2.25	$3.48

Rangpur Smyrna Rugs—Immense variety of these highly popular Rugs—same on both sides—copies of the high grade Oriental Rugs.

6x9	7.6x10.6	9x12
$4.98	$7.48	$11.48

Brussels Rugs—Endless variety of Brussels Rugs, all of standard and well known makes—excellent range of styles in each grade.

9x12	9x12	9x12	9x12
$11.45	$14.00	$16.50	$19.00

Silk remnts., velvets.

$1.50 Tinsel Brocade Silks in light and dark colorings—Friday special..... **25c**

Wash Taffeta Remnants, slightly soiled, in full range of evening and street shades, never sell for less than 75c off the bolt—as long as they last Friday..... **25c**

$1.00 quality All-Silk Face Panne Velvets, in different street and evening shades, at from one-half yard up to 10 yards—while they last tomorrow..... **29c**

Perfumes, toilets

Lundborg's Sachet Powder, any odor, bulk, oz.	15c
Eastman's Royal Lily of China, in fancy box, reg. price 98c.	48c
Babcock's Corylopses du Japan—in very pretty box, reg. $1	45c
Lundborg's Silk Sachet Bags, very pretty, regular 50c.....	19c
Eastman's Violet Extract, cut glass stopper, in fancy box, regular $2.50.....	98c
Bourjeous Perfumes, assorted odors, in handsome box, regular $1.50.....	50c
4711 Eau de Cologne, wicker covered bottle.....	50c

Friday bedding bargains.

Bed Spreads, good quality, large size, crochet spreads for bargain Friday, at 69c, 39c and..... **29c**

Bed Blankets in white, scarlet and gray, slightly soiled, bargain Friday, $10 Blankets, $7.50; $7.50 Blankets, $4.98; $5 Blankets..... **$2.98**

Bed Comforters, pure white cotton filled, large size comforters, Bargain Friday, $2.50 Comforter, $1.75; $1.50 Comforter..... **98c**

Bed Sheets, 81x90 heavy bleached Sheets, good value at 50c—Bargain Friday..... **39c**

Pillow Cases, 45x36, Norwood cases, 12½c quality—Bargain Friday..... **9c**

Bargain Friday

Sheet music.

Hiawatha, the Instrumental Hit	Three top liners, ea., 17c
Under the Bamboo Tree	
Tale of the Sea Shell	
In Dear Old Fairy Land, by Chas. K. Harris	15c
I Only Know I Love You	
Just Kiss Yourself Goodbye	
Moonlight Winter Night	
I'll Wed You in Golden Summertime	

Sabbath Echoes—New sacred songs, The Palms, Dream of Paradise, Calvary, Jerusalem, Lost Chord, Rock of Ages, etc..... follo 19 choice **29c**

Pastime Dance Album, 30 selections—Maiden with Dreamy Eyes; Ha Le, Ha Lo; Aunt Mandy's Wedding, etc., etc..... **29c**

Groceries and fresh fish.

We receive fresh supplies of all varieties of fish by express every day.

Flour—Ceresota Best Patent, Golden Horn High-Grade Patent..... ½ brl. sack **$1.05**

New Sweet Prunes—finest grown in Santa Clara Valley, per lb., from 25c to..... **5c**

Apricots, Peaches or Pears, best quality evaporated, per lb., 14c; 3¼ lbs..... **50c**

Tea special—choice Oolong or Scented Ceylon, per lb., 30c; 5 lbs. for..... **$1.45**

Lowney's Tid Bits Sweet Chocolate, per lb., 35c; ½-lb. cake... **10c**

Hazel Salt, double refined, for table use, 2-lb. sack, 2c; dozen... **20c**

Starch—Hazel, finest quality 4 lbs. 6 lb. wood box..... **45c**

Red Kidney Beans, Joan of Arc brand, can, 9c; doz..... **$1.00**

Chicago Family or Armour Best Family Soap, 10 bars..... **45c**

Babbitt's 1776 Washing Powder, large size package..... **6c**

Malt-Ola, or Perfo, pkg., 12c; doz..... **$1.35**

Italian Macaroni or Spaghetti, new importation direct from Naples and Genoa, all varieties, lb., 10c; 5 lbs. **45c**

Fresh Salmon Steaks, per lb.... **15c**

Fresh Halibut Steak, per lb... **12½c**

Fresh Boiled Barataria Headless Shrimp, per lb... **20c**

Norway Mackerel, extra large Fat Bloaters, per lb..... **30c**

Fresh Solid Meat Oysters and all other varieties of Fresh Fish at our usual low prices.

Malt Cream, jar, $2.75, 70c, 35c & **20c**

Beef Extract—Armour's Solid, the best in the market, 4-oz. jar, 72c; 2-oz. jar..... **37c**

Best Quality Lump Starch, per lb., 4c; 10 lbs..... **38c**

Whole Wheat Flour, Franklin Mills, Lenfestery or Hazel, 10 lb. sack..... **30c**

Presto or Aunt Jemima's Pan Cake Flour, per pkg..... **9c**

Nut Fiske Oatmeal or Mother's Oats, 6oz., 2 for $1.00; 3 pkgs..... **25c**

Scourine Soap, Siegel, Cooper & Co.'s, scours and cleans perfectly, per bar 4c; doz. **45c**

Neutrita, Tryablta or Bordeaux Flakes, pkg., 10c; dozen assorted..... **$1.20**

Fairbank's Mascot Soap, 10 bars..... **25c**

Bar Le Duc Jelly, red or white, per jar 25c; dozen assorted..... **$2.85**

Men's $2.50 all-wool pants.

Special Bargain Friday...

A grand clean-up of all the small lots of Men's Trousers which have accumulated during our great holiday business of the last six weeks. About 400 pairs in all—stripes, neat lines and plain colors. Every pr. absolutely all-wool; special **$1**

Boys' $4, $5 & $6 knee pants suits...

All the small lots and broken sizes of Boys' Suits go regardless of cost. Boys' 3-Piece Suits, Norfolk Suits, Russian Blouse, Sailor and Double Breasted Suits, that sold as high as $7.00—special bargain Friday..... **$2**

Furniture at after-Christmas prices

Odds and ends and single pieces far below factory prices.

Beautiful Dresser, in selected quarter-sawed golden oak, hand polished, size of French plate mirror is 28x34, regular value, $29.75, special at..... **$16.95**

Box Seat Dining Chair (like cut), genuine leather seat, quarter-sawed golden oak, $4.00 value—special..... **$2.29**

3-pc. Parlor Suit (like cut), upholstered in damasks and velours—special value..... **$7.95**

Handsome Library Table, in quarter-sawed golden oak—size 32x50—$20 value—special, at..... **$12.95**

Very special bargain in a Morris Chair—frame is golden oak or mahogany finish, has reversible velour cushions—regular $8.50 value—special..... **$4.95**

Dining Table—made of selected golden oak, very massive carved claw feet—extends six feet—regular value $8.75—special..... **$4.69**